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Email:

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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/11/50.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

I would like to know:

1) How many admissions of children (under 18's) presenting with eating disorders your trust has recorded in the past five years.

Please see tables below

2) I would like to know how many of these children treated were male/female/transgender.

Please see tables below

3) Please present all this information simply and clearly and break it down by year. Please provide as much detail as possible about the nature of their illness (I understand that some children may present with multiple illnesses). I would like this information broken down by type of eating disorder eg bulimia, anorexia etc. For example:

2013:

-XXX male children. 55% anorexia, 45% bulimia

-XXX female children 450 anorexia, 150 bulimia

-XXX transgender children

Please see tables below. Please note this data has been collated via a free text search for the following terms where a patient has been conveyed to hospital

- Anorexia
- Anorexic
- Bulimia
- Bulimic
- Eating Disorder

Anorexia

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Female	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Male	0	0	0	*Less than 10	0

Bulimia

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Female	0	0	0	0	0
Male	0	0	0	0	0

Eating disorders

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Female	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10	*Less than 10
Male	0	0	0	0	0

*As this figure is less than 10 we are unable to provide the exact number as it may be identifiable to individuals

Please note this may not be a true reflection of calls as there may be cases where this term is mentioned within the text but does not relate to the incident itself and may relate to something else i.e. patient's medical history

There may also be cases where this has not been mentioned on the initial call and is therefore not documented within the notes

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Lead via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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