Freedom of Information Request

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*Note to Applicant: As of 1 April 2017, North Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (NEP) and South Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (SEPT) merged to form one new organisation known as Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT).

Information Requested:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information regarding your Community eating disorders service for Adults (if you provide one). Please do not provide data which relates to the treatment of children and young people (Under 18s) or Inpatient treatment.

1. Do you provide a Community eating disorders service for Adults? If yes, please answer the questions below. If no, there are no further questions.
   Yes

2. What is the local catchment area of your Adult community eating disorders service?
   Essex area (North East, Mid, and West Essex, Thurrock, and Southend)

3. What are the minimum and maximum (if applicable) ages that your Adult community eating disorders service will provide treatment for?
   18 years and above. No upper age limit

4. Please state the GP-registered population (age 18+ years old) for the area covered by your Adult community eating disorders service, as it was on the dates below:

   a. 31 March 2017
      The Trust believes that this information is publicly available at the following link: https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/patients-registered-at-a-gp-practice. The Trust is therefore applying Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means).

   b. 31 March 2018
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5. Please complete the table below, regarding the caseload of your Adult community eating disorders service at the dates specified:

| Caseload (accepted referrals) at your Adult community eating disorders service |
|---|---|
| Dates | Size of caseload (number of patients) |
| At: 31st March 2017 | 165 |
| At: 31st March 2018 | 172 |
6. Please complete the table below, regarding referral to start of treatment waiting times for outpatient psychological intervention at your Adult community eating disorders service.

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<tr>
<th>Year/Wait</th>
<th>&lt; 4 weeks</th>
<th>4-10 weeks</th>
<th>11-17 weeks</th>
<th>18-24 weeks</th>
<th>Over 24 weeks</th>
<th>N/A (Still waiting)</th>
<th>Mean average waiting time</th>
<th>Median average waiting time</th>
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<td>Number of patients added to the caseload during 2016/2017</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>7</td>
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<td>Number of patients added to the caseload during 2017/2018</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>97</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>5</td>
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7. Please state the total workforce (in WTE) working at your Adult community eating disorders service as it was on the dates below:

Please include staff in post and bank and agency staff which were working on those dates.

   a. 31 March 2017
      16.15

   b. 31 March 2018
      17.55

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under your Section 16 obligations, as to how I can refine my request appropriately.

Applied Exemption:

Section 21: Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) Information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) Information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection)
to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority’s publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.