

## Freedom of Information Request

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## Physiotherapy Mental Health Inpatient and Community Services

## Information Requested:

1. Does your Trust offer a physical activity programme\* to patients with severe mental ill health (psychosis, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, or bipolar disorder)?

a. Yes  
~~b. No~~

\*by physical activity programme we mean any programme that incorporates an element of physical activity.

2. Does your trust offer more than one physical activity programme?

a. Yes (if yes, please complete a separate form for each programme).  
~~b. No~~

3. Please enter the name of the programme you are completing the form for:

Seated exercises, Circuit sessions, Balance and strength exercise group (falls prevention), walking group, Closing the gap sessions, Table tennis

4. Who can be referred to this programme? Select all that apply.

a. All service users  
~~b. People in early intervention services~~  
~~b. People with psychosis~~  
~~c. People with schizophrenia~~  
~~d. People with schizoaffective disorder~~  
~~e. People with bipolar disorder~~

5. In a typical month approximately what proportion of eligible patients are referred?

a. Open referral  
~~b. Don't know~~

6. In a typical month approximately what proportion of patients referred, attend the programme?

a. 80%  
~~b. Don't know~~

7. What are the key features of this programme? Select all that apply.

a. Supervised physical activity sessions  
b. Information or education about physical activity  
c. Physical activity counselling from a trained facilitator  
~~d. Peer support~~  
~~e. Other (please give details) 1-1 sessions with either physiotherapists or physio assistants~~

8. What type of physical activity is available?
- Swimming
  - Access to a gym
  - Football
  - Access to fitness classes
  - Walking group
  - Netball
  - Cycling
  - Yoga
  - Basketball
  - Other (please state) Xbox games activities, falls prevention exercises
9. What is the setting of this programme?
- a. Inpatient
  - ~~b. Outpatient/Community~~
  - ~~c. Mixed inpatient and outpatient~~
10. What is the format of this programme? Select all that apply.
- a. One-to-one face-to-face
  - b. Group face-to-face
  - ~~c. One-to-one online~~
  - ~~d. Group online~~
  - ~~e. One-to-one by telephone~~
  - ~~f. Other (please give details)~~
11. How is the programme arranged?
- a. Ongoing course
  - b. Drop-in sessions
  - c. Over a fixed period (e.g., 1 session a week for 8 weeks)
  - ~~d. Other (please give details)~~
12. If more than one mode of support was selected in Q10, can each patient choose how they receive support?
- a. Yes (please give details) Offer is open to patients depending on assessment of patient's need and ability
  - ~~b. No~~
  - ~~c. N/A~~
13. Is everyone who accesses services able to access the physical activity programmes as part of standard care? Please tick all that apply
- a. Yes
  - ~~b. Only those who express an interest in physical activity~~
  - ~~c. Only those who are eligible, if yes how is the decision made and by whom~~
  - ~~d. No~~

14. Who supports patients in this programme? Select all that apply.
- a. Fitness instructor
  - ~~b. Healthy living advisor~~
  - c. Physiotherapist
  - d. Occupational therapist
  - e. Mental health worker trained in physical activity (e.g., nurse)
  - f. Peer support worker
  - ~~g. Other (please give details) Physiotherapy Assistants~~
15. What level is the person providing the support trained to?
- a. To degree level or above in a relevant area
  - b. Other training (please give details) Relevant sports and exercise activities trainings
16. Does the Trust signpost service users to physical activity programmes outside of the Trust?
- a. Yes
  - ~~b. No~~
17. If yes, who provides these programmes? Select all that apply.
- a. Local council
  - ~~b. Secondary care trust~~
  - ~~c. Other NHS (please give details)~~
  - d. Not for profit company
  - ~~e. Charity~~
  - f. Other third sector organisation (please give details) Sports for confidence, local sports and gym facilities
18. Does the Trust use any other strategies to promote physical activity in people with severe mental ill health? (e.g., one-off activity health promotion events, brief advice during healthcare contacts, environmental prompts)
- a. One off activity events
  - b. Brief advice during healthcare contacts
  - ~~c. Financial support (e.g. free gym membership)~~
  - d. Sign posting to activities
  - ~~d. Other (please give details)~~
19. Do you feel that the physical activity provision in the trust meets the needs of the patients?
- a. Yes
  - ~~b. No~~
20. If there is anything else you would like to say about physical activity please state below.

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