



Freedom of Information Request

Reference Number: EPUT.FOI.22.2635

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	Question	Tax year 2018/19	Tax year 2019/20	Tax year 2020/21
1	<p>What was the total combined confirmed number of annual deaths by suicide[†] that occurred while the patient was under the care of mental health services (any age) and learning disabilities' inpatient services^{††}? The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the https://eput.nhs.uk/media/0wpoxb3z/eput-foi-22-2510.pdf Website. This response was provided in calendar years and does cover the data range you have requested. Therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means):</p>			

2	Of the number of deaths by suicide [†] enumerated above (for question 1), what was the total combined confirmed number of annual deaths by suicide that occurred within a ward where an anti-ligature alarmed door was installed?	Please note that the trust's policy is not to provide patient or staff numbers, where the response is less than or equal to five (≤ 5) as it would potentially allow identification of the individual patient/staff and would therefore be personal data. The trust considers that release of that information would breach GDPR/DPA18 principles on the grounds that it would not be fair in all the circumstances. This information is therefore exempt under section 40 of the FOI Act 2000.	Please note that the trust's policy is not to provide patient or staff numbers, where the response is less than or equal to five (≤ 5) as it would potentially allow identification of the individual patient/staff and would therefore be personal data. The trust considers that release of that information would breach GDPR/DPA18 principles on the grounds that it would not be fair in all the circumstances. This information is therefore exempt under section 40 of the FOI Act 2000.	Please note that the trust's policy is not to provide patient or staff numbers, where the response is less than or equal to five (≤ 5) as it would potentially allow identification of the individual patient/staff and would therefore be personal data. The trust considers that release of that information would breach GDPR/DPA18 principles on the grounds that it would not be fair in all the circumstances. This information is therefore exempt under section 40 of the FOI Act 2000.
3	Of the number of deaths by suicide [†] (confirmed by coroner) enumerated above (for question 2), how many deaths involved using an anti-ligature alarmed door as a fixed point for a ligature?	0	0	0
4	What was the total combined number of bed days for patients (of any age) treated within your mental health and learning disabilities' inpatient services ^{††} ?	211,172	210,254	179770
5	What was the total number of inpatient wards within your mental health and learning disabilities' inpatient services ^{††} ?	43	40	39

6	What was the total combined number of anti-ligature alarmed doors installed within your mental health (all ages) and learning disabilities' inpatient services ⁺⁺ ?	We did not install any anti-ligature alarmed doors for the time period of 2018/2019. However, we did install 72 Door top alarms to existing doors on the wards for the time period of 2018/2019.	39	100
7	What was the cost of installing anti-ligature alarmed doors (inclusive of all associated costs with installation) within your mental health (all ages) and learning disabilities' inpatient services ⁺⁺ ? If costs for this occurred prior to the tax year 2018/19 please enter them in the box for the tax year 2018/19 and state which year they were incurred.	The Trust is unable to provide all of the information requested for 2018/2019. The information is not held in a easily retrievable format. This would exceed the time and cost limits, as set out in the Act. The Trust is therefore applying Section 12 of the Act (where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit	The Trust is unable to provide all of the information requested as we do not hold a report showing the specific requested information, to locate this would exceed the time and cost limits, as set out in the Act. The Trust is therefore applying Section 12 of the Act (where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit. However, we can provide an overall cost for Patient Safety. Please find a link to our Annual Accounts report https://eput.nhs.uk/media/iqilifsu/eput-annual-report-2019-20-final-02072020.pdf Page 30.	The Trust is unable to provide all of the information requested as we do not hold a report showing the specific requested information, to locate this would exceed the time and cost limits, as set out in the Act. The Trust is therefore applying Section 12 of the Act (where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit. However, we can provide an overall cost for Patient Safety. Please find a link to our Annual Accounts report https://eput.nhs.uk/media/exijjni5/essex-partnership-university-trust-report-and-accounts-2021-final.pdf Page 27.

8	<p>What was the total amount of money spent on anti-ligature products/works within your NHS trust? If costs for this occurred prior to the tax year 2018/19 please enter them in the box for the tax year 2018/19 and state which year they were incurred.</p>	<p>The Trust is unable to provide all of the information requested for 2018/2019. The information is not held in a easily retrievable format. This would exceed the time and cost limits, as set out in the Act. The Trust is therefore applying Section 12 of the Act (where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit</p>	<p>The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the https://eput.nhs.uk/media/iqilifsu/eput-annual-report-2019-20-final-02072020.pdf website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means):</p>	<p>The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the https://eput.nhs.uk/media/exijjni5/essex-partnership-university-trust-report-and-accounts-2021-final.pdf website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means):</p>
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Information Requested:

Note: Please do not provide any patient identifying information or any Trust patient ID number.

[†] in this study we are defining suicide as *a death recorded on incident reporting system and submitted to the National Learning and Reporting system as suicide*

^{††} including patients in a neighbouring acute trust whose care was transferred to the care of your Trust's liaison team following an incident that occurred on their trust's inpatient ward.

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.

Applied Exemption:

Section 40 (Personal information):

- (1) Any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if it constitutes personal data of which the applicant is the data subject.
- (2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—
 - (a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and
 - (b) either the first or the second condition below is satisfied.
- (3) The first condition is—
 - (a) in a case where the information falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of “data” in section 1(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene—
 - (i) any of the data protection principles, or
 - (ii) section 10 of that Act (right to prevent processing likely to cause damage or distress), and
 - (b) in any other case, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene any of the data protection principles if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018 (which relate to manual data held by public authorities) were disregarded.
- (4) The second condition is that by virtue of any provision of Part IV of the Data Protection Act 2018 the information is exempt from section 7(1)(c) of that Act (data subject's right of access to personal data).

- (5) The duty to confirm or deny—
 - (a) does not arise in relation to information which is (or if it were held by the public authority would be) exempt information by virtue of subsection (1), and
 - (b) does not arise in relation to other information if or to the extent that either—
 - (i) the giving to a member of the public of the confirmation or denial that would have to be given to comply with section 1(1)(a) would (apart from this Act) contravene any of the data protection principles or section 10 of the Data Protection Act 2018 or would do so if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of that Act were disregarded, or
 - (ii) by virtue of any provision of Part IV of the Data Protection Act 2018 the information is exempt from section 7(1)(a) of that Act (data subject’s right to be informed whether personal data being processed).
- (6) In determining for the purposes of this section whether anything done before 24th October 2007 would contravene any of the data protection principles, the exemptions in Part III of Schedule 8 to the Data Protection Act 2018 shall be disregarded.
- (7) In this section— “the data protection principles” means the principles set out in Part I of Schedule 1 to the Data Protection Act 2018, as read subject to Part II of that Schedule and section 27(1) of that Act;
 - “data subject” has the same meaning as in section 1(1) of that Act;
 - “personal data” has the same meaning as in section 1(1) of that Act.

Publication Scheme:

As part of the Freedom of Information Act all public organisations are required to proactively publish certain classes of information on a Publication Scheme. A publication scheme is a guide to the information that is held by the organisation. EPUT’s Publication Scheme is located on its Website at the following link <https://eput.nhs.uk>