

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

I would like to request the following information to be released, if held, with regards to the Patient Initiated Digital Mutual Aid System (PIDMAS).

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust is a mental health, learning disability and community health services Trust and does not have the above system.

- 1. The number of patients who had been on a waiting list for treatment with the trust for 40 weeks or more, as of 31 October 2023.
- 2. The number of patients contacted by the trust to tell them of their eligibility to choose a different provider or health trust through PIDMAS, as of 1 December 2023.
- 3. The number of patients who have been referred to another provider or health trust, through PIDMAS, as of 1 December 2023.

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