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I am responding to your request for information received 16 August 2024. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Wycliffe House
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Wilmslow
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Request:

Question 1: How many Mental Health Act assessments were carried out in each of the following years: 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24?

Answer: Please see table below:

Financial Year	Number of Mental Health assessments
2019-20	4086
2020-21	4499
2021-22	4316
2022-23	4431
2023-24 to date	4796

Question 2: How many patients assessed under the Mental Health Act and recommended for compulsory admission were detained on the same day, in the following years: 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

(2) This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR.

In order to provide the information requested, it would be necessary to access patient records as the information is not held in a searchable format. There is no legal basis to access patient records for the purposes of responding to a Freedom of Information request. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 3: How many patients assessed under the Mental Health Act and recommended for compulsory admission were not detained on the same day, due to lack of bed availability, in the following years: 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

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Question 4: How many patients assessed under the Mental Health Act and recommended for compulsory admission had to wait 72 hours or longer to be admitted, due to lack of bed availability, for the following years: 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.



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Question 5: How many patients assessed under the Mental Health Act and recommended for compulsory admission were admitted to private mental health beds in the following years: 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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