FOI012/2021 Response

Request

This request concerns the waiting times and outcomes for adults referred to your eating disorder services

- 1) Please provide the waiting times in days for each adult patient
- a) urgently
- b) routinely

admitted to an in-patient eating disorder service within your trust in each of the following calendar years. Please provide these figures as two separate lists of values in days clearly distinguishing between urgent and routine referrals.

- i) 2017
- ii) 2018
- iii) 2019
- iv) 2020
- v) 2021
- 2) Please provide the current waiting times in days for each adult patient that has been
- a) urgently
- b) routinely

referred to an in-patient eating disorder service within your trust but is waiting to be admitted as of the date of this request or the closest standard data recording date. Please provide these figures as two separate lists of values in days, clearly distinguishing between urgent and routine referrals 3) Please state the number of readmissions of adult eating disorder in-patients within your trust, where they have admitted again to in-patient eating disorder units within a year of being discharged from an in-patient unit in each of the following calendar years.

- i) 2017
- ii) 2018
- iii) 2019
- iv) 2020
- v) 2021

4) If held, please state the number of adult eating disorder patients who were referred to your trust and awaiting admission for in-patient eating disorder treatment that we admitted as emergency patients to a general hospital while on the waiting list before their admission. Please provide information for each of the following calendar years.

- i) 2017
- ii) 2018
- iii) 2019
- iv) 2020
- v) 2021

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a) If held, please state the number of adult eating disorder patients who were referred to your trust and were awaiting admission for in-patient eating disorder treatment who died while on the waiting list.

b) If possible within the cost limit, please state if these persons died as a result of their eating disorder. Please provide information for each of the following calendar years.

- i) 2017 ii) 2018
- iii) 2019
- iv) 2020
- v) 2021.

Response

The Trust is unable to provide a response for questions 1,2,4 & 5. This is because we do not separately record Eating Disorder Service 'referrals for inpatient stay' from admission date, nor do we have a formal waiting list.

Please be aware that local patients within the catchment areas covered by the Trust are usually seen by the Eating Disorder Out-Patient Team. If a patient's condition is deteriorating, they will be regularly discussed and monitored in our multidisciplinary team (MDT) meetings to determine the suitability of an admission. However, there is not a fixed timeline to confirm when a patient starts waiting to be admitted into the eating disorder inpatient ward.

For patients from outside our catchment areas but reside within the West Midlands, the referrals will be processed by the West Midlands Adult Eating Disorder Provider Collaborative. Whilst some of these patients may end up in our in-patient service, we do not have access to the waiting time between referral and admission.

Admission by Calendar Year	Number of Re-admissions
2017	8
2018	9
2019	11
2020	9
2021	4

in regards to question3 please see below and note for the year 2020 the data is accurate to 29th April 2021.