

FOI 0221/2021 Request

Response

NHS guidance on the transfer of adult prisoners under the Mental Health Act states prison clinicians should send formal referrals to the responsible mental health service. These are known as " forensic Gatekeeping referrals".

Please can you help with the following?

1. How many "forensic Gatekeeping referrals" to transfer mentally ill prisoners to hospital did the trust receive every year between 2010 and 2020 (please give separate figures for each year)? Please use the attached spreadsheet.

2. How many of these referrals (see above) resulted in admission to hospital every year between 2010 and 2020 (please give separate figures for each year)? Please use the attached spreadsheet.

Request

Please see the attached spreadsheet and note the following:

- The Trust is unable to provide data prior to 2012 due to quality issues that prevent reliability of accuracy levels.
- All referrals have been included with the majority for assessment and admission.
- Data of admissions to other hospitals outside the Trust is only available from 2016.