FOI048 Response

Request

I am seeking information concerning the impact of COVID-19 on Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services, specifically inpatient care facilities (Tier 4 CAMHS).

- 1. How many inpatients did you have receiving treatment in each month from February 2019 to May 2020?
- 2. How many patients were discharged from inpatient care in each month from February 2019 to May 2020?
- 3. Were any of these patient discharges a direct result of covid-19?
- 4. Did you restrict parent or family visits during lockdown?
- 5. Did you test and isolate new admissions to inpatient wards?
- 6. How many of your inpatients were diagnosed with coronavirus?
- 7. How many of your patients have had their discharge dates delayed due to covid-19?

Where you have a service which differs from a 0-18 service, such as under-14, Youth 14-25, etc, could you please supply the data for each of these services?

Response

Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust provide a low secure inpatient Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) and a medium secure inpatient Forensic Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (FCAMHS).

The low secure inpatient Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) provides multidisciplinary assessments, mental health intervention and treatment for patients with mental health difficulties, until their 18th birthday.

The medium secure inpatient Forensic Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (FCAMHS) provides multi-disciplinary assessments, mental health intervention and treatment for patients with forensic history and complex mental health difficulties, until their 19th birthday.

Both services are nationally commissioned and available to patients across England.

Please note that the data provided only relates to patients within the inpatient CAMHS and FCAMHS.

1. How many inpatients did you have receiving treatment in each month from February 2019 to May 2020?

Number of Patients
In Treatment
15
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2. How many patients were discharged from inpatient care in each month from February 2019 to May 2020?

Please see table below and note that the data cannot be provided for each month and has been presented in a grouped format. This is because the low numbers captured in conjunction with the date could lead to identification of a patient.

Year	Month	Number Of Discharges
2019	Feb-July	7
2019	Nov- Dec	5
2020	Jan-April	5
	Total	17

3. Were any of these patient discharges a direct result of covid-19?

There have been no patients discharged as a direct result of Covid-19.

4. Did you restrict parent or family visits during lockdown?

The Trust had initially restricted visits, however with the assistance of the Infection Prevention and Control Team a plan was implemented to support family visits to the Trust's CAMHS services.

5. Did you test and isolate new admissions to inpatient wards?

The Trust tested all new admissions and requested a period of isolation however as the results from the Covid-19 tests were received within 24 hours, isolation was not required outside of this period.

6. How many of your inpatients were diagnosed with coronavirus?

There have been no inpatients within the CAHMS service diagnosed with Covid-19.

7. How many of your patients have had their discharge dates delayed due to covid-19?

The Trust is unable to provide further information as this is not captured on our system.