FOI 077/2021 Response

Request

I am a freelance journalist.

I would like to request, under the freedom of information act, the following information for mental health services in Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust.

1. The total number of patients on a waiting list for admissions to mental health wards in your trust as of June 2021.
2. The average time the patients have been waiting for an admission to mental health wards as of June 2021.
3. The longest time a patient has been on the waiting list for an admission to mental health wards as of June 2021.
4. The total capacity of your mental health wards, so how many patients overall can be on your wards at the same time as of June 2021.
5. The total number of inpatients, broken down into informal patients and those detained under the Mental Health Act as of June 2021.

*Clarification sought to confirm if the request is in relation to inpatient services.

Requester has confirmed that their request is relating to inpatient services and that they would like data on all inpatient services.

Response

Please see the attached spreadsheet and note the following,

- The data has been provided for the time period of June 2021.

- Data provided for question 1-3 is in relation to core Adult Acute, Older Adult Acute, Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) and inpatient rehabilitation (Steps 2 Recovery) services.

- The Trust has not included data in relation to Specialties or Secure inpatient services for question 1-3. This is because we do not have reliable bed waiting list information available to provide the requested data.

- The Trust has included inpatient services- Adult Acute, Older Adult Acute, PICU, Steps 2 Recovery, Specialties and Secure services for questions 4-5.

- The data provided for question 4 - 5 also include patients on leave from their wards.