

FOI 0467/2024 Response

*** Follow up request to FOI 0424/2023

Thank you for this response. Could you please seek clarification/elaboration for me on the answers to questions 3,6, and 8 as follows?

Question 3 - I appreciate that the answer that has been given explains that the number and duration of contacts and the frequency of supervised meal support provided by the respective outreach services is dependent on clinical need and can be flexible. However, we are trying to gauge the maximum level of such contact and support that can be provided. Could you please ask the service to specify the maximum level of intensity that each of the respective outreach services are able to offer in terms of the number and duration of contacts, and the frequency of supervised meal support?

Adults Eating Disorder Service :

No more than once daily

CAMHS Service

1-3 patients could be offered 3-5 meal supports per week .

However, the patient administration record -Rio, does not have a meal support code and therefore we cannot collate the appropriate data for this query.

Question 6 – The answer to this question with respect to the CAMHS service states that: *“Also, as part of the screening of a referral there will be certain characteristics that would identify that there was an eating disorder requiring specialised interventions.”* Could you please clarify what those characteristics are, including whether any single measures such as weight/BMI are used to determine whether someone is deemed to require a specialised intervention?

CAMHS Service

There is no single measure such as BMI, as eating disorders can occur at any weight.

At screening any concerns around eating would be considered to be a concern.

Eating disorders are complex and therefore a variety of factors need to be taken into consideration and there is no single measure .

Question 8 - Do the figures in the columns titled 'Community eating disorders' and 'Solar eating disorders' represent the total caseloads for those services on those dates, rather than the numbers on those caseloads that were in receipt of outreach support from those respective services? If so, is the Trust able to provide specific figures for the latter?

Adults Eating Disorder Service:

The service does not have a separate caseload for those receiving outreach support on our Patient administration record -Rio, we therefore are unable to provide a specific figure.

We can confirm that we do have a number of team members who would do outreach support e.g. meal support at the patients home.

However at present, the activity code used for this would be a generic and therefore we are unable to provide the figure of appointments that fit this specific activity.

CAMHS Service

The whole caseload is in relation to eating disorders and there is not a separate outreach caseload.

All of the caseloads would be eligible for outreach if this was clinically indicated .