

FOI 0199 2025 Response

Request

Dear FOI Team,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am writing to request information about adult mental health services in High Secure Units (HSUs), Medium Secure Units (MSUs), Low Secure Units (LSUs) and Psychiatric Intensive Care Units (PICUs) - specifically where these services fall under adult mental health commissioning (excluding learning disability or other non-mental health pathways).

From what I have read, services may be commissioned under a combination of spot contracts, out-of-area (OOA) placements, and block contracts, depending on the service type and provider. I am seeking to better understand the structure of commissioning and the associated payment flows.

Please provide the information separately for the financial years 2024/25 and 2025/26 Year to Date (YTD) for the following:

1. Spot Contracts (excluding OOA)

- Total income (in £) on spot-priced adult mental health patients
- Total number of adult mental health bed days commissioned
- Average fee (in £) per bed day

2. OOA Contracts

- Total income (in £) on out-of-area adult mental health patients
- Total number of adult mental health bed days commissioned
- Average fee (in £) per bed day

3. Block Contracts

- Total value (in £) of the block contract obtained for adult mental health services
- Total adult mental health bed days commissioned under the block by type (HSUs, MSUs, LSUs, PICUs)
- Average fee (in £) per bed day under the block

4. If breakdown by 1, 2, 3 not available

- Please provide aggregate figures for adult mental health services only:

a) Total cost (in £) of delivering care for adults for each service type

b) Total number of adult bed days delivered for each service type

c) Average cost (in £) per occupied bed day (or per week) for adults for each service type

Response

Please note that we are unable to provide the requested information.

This is because the Trust is currently in the process of procuring new adult inpatient Acute and PICU out of area contract and therefore this information is commercially sensitive.

The Trust rely on exemption Section 43 of the freedom of Information Act 2000 to deny this aspect of your request.