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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 19 January 2016 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding patients with learning disabilities. Specifically you asked for:

The purpose of this enquiry is to test the working of the requirements of NHS trusts to make necessary ‘reasonable adjustments’ for the care of people with learning disabilities as set out in the ‘Learning Disability Access’ criteria in the Monitor Risk Assessment Framework (2015, p. 56) – please see attached pdf for your reference.

1) Please supply the following figures for your trust for the administrative year 2014/2015 in the table included below.

	Total number of patient admissions	Number of patients identified and flagged as having a learning disability by your trust (Monitor criterion 1; 2015, p. 57)
Number of admissions to in-patient care (as defined by Hospital Episode Statistics)	140945	604
Number of out-patient admissions (not including	634314	See note

cancelled appointments or those who did not attend their appointments)		
Number of patient admissions at accident and emergency	125917	See note

Please Note: Both out patients and A&E classify patients as attenders and not admitted, patients with learning difficulties are not identified from these.

2) Please advise me of website links where I can find any public report(s) of findings of audits of your practices for patients with learning disabilities (Monitor criterion 6; 2015, p. 57) published by your trust since the start of April 2013.

Answer: The Trust publishes its Quality Accounts each year which covers learning disabilities, this report does not list audit results. This can be found in the Annual Report on our website <http://www.cddft.nhs.uk/about-the-trust/annual-reports.aspx>

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
 County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
 Darlington Memorial Hospital
 Hollyhurst Road
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
 Wycliffe House
 Water Lane

Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

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Freedom of Information Officer