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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 31 July 2018 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 children treated on adult wards. Specifically you asked for:

I write under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information.

- 1. On how many occasions has a child (under the age of 18) been treated on an adult ward during each calendar year from 2010 to 2018 (Year to Date) inclusive. Please detail how long the child remained on the adult ward, what treatment they received and why they were treated on an adult ward (e.g. staffing shortages).***
- 2. On how many occasions has an adult been treated on a children's ward during each calendar year from 2010 to 2018 (Year to Date) inclusive. Please detail how long the adult remained on the children's ward, what treatment they received and why they were treated on a children's ward (e.g. staffing shortages).***

County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust replies:

Please find attached the requested figures for all inpatient admissions (including day cases). The YTD period for 2018 covers Jan-Jul 2018. We have included the HRG for each admission for the treatment, but are unable to supply the reason why they were treated on the adult/paediatric wards.

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

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer