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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 28th September 2020 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to assessment of psychosis in children and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I am looking for information about the length of time children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis wait to start assessment once they have been referred to a specialist mental health service at the Trust.

- 1. What is the Trust's target waiting time for a child or young person experiencing their first episode of psychosis to start assessment after being referred to a specialist mental health service at the Trust?**
- 2. How many children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis were referred to the Trust for assessment in 2019/20?**
- 3. On average, how long did children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis wait for their assessment to start after being referred in 2019/20?**
- 4. How many children and young people experiencing their first episode of psychosis who have been referred to the Trust are currently waiting to start their assessment?**

The Trust does not provide any CAMHS services. These are all provided by Tees Esk & Wear Valley Foundation Trust. That Trust should be the first point of contact for this information. If you wish to contact Tees Esk & Wear Valley Foundation Trust, we would advise, in accordance with Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance), that you contact that organisation via the following address:

Trust Secretary's Department
West Park Hospital
Edward Pease Way
Darlington
DL2 2TS

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 on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I am sorry that I have not been able to provide all of the information you requested, however I hope that my explanation as to why this is not possible has been satisfactory. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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Freedom of Information Officer