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### Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 26 November 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 A&E attendances following self-harm and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

**I would like the number of people aged 17 years or younger who were admitted to A&E at hospitals in the Trust after intentionally hurting themselves. Please provide this information:**

- broken down by age group: 0-5, 6-11, 12-17?
- broken down by gender: Male, Female?
- for the following years: 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 (so far)?

Please see the below response information based on Emergency Department attends with a chief complaint of self-harm. Due to the Emergency care data set (ECDS) System change during October 2017 and change in the information categorisation, we only have data back to 2017.

#### Age

Year	0-5yrs	6-11yrs	12-17yrs	Total
2017 Oct-Dec	1	1	52	<b>54</b>
2018 Jan-Dec	1	4	182	<b>187</b>
2019 Jan-Dec	1	5	160	<b>166</b>
2020 Jan-Nov		4	169	<b>173</b>

#### Gender

Year	Male	Female	Unspecified	Total
2017 Oct-Dec	8	45	1	<b>54</b>

2018 Jan-Dec	46	141		<b>187</b>
2019 Jan-Dec	35	130	1	<b>166</b>
2020 Jan-Nov	32	141		<b>173</b>

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 hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. 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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely

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