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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 16th August 2018 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding deaths of children.

On 17th August 2018 we contacted you via email as of 31st October 2014 University Hospital of North Staffordshire NHS Trust (UHNS) ceased to exist. As of 1st November 2014 Royal Stoke University Hospital and County Hospital (Stafford) became known as University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM). Therefore please confirm whether you require information for UHNS or UHNM.

On the same day you replied via email the following:

"Please provide information from UHNM."

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 University Hospital Of North Staffordshire NHS Trust

INQUEST provides advice to bereaved families following a death in state care or custody. We are seeking data on the deaths of children and young people in receipt of in-patient mental health services (both voluntary in-patients and detained).

For each year (2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013), please provide statistical information relating to children and young people (aged 24 and under) who have died receiving in-patient psychiatric care at the time of their death in any hospital, unit or private setting under the management or control of University Hospital Of North Staffordshire NHS Trust. Please provide data on;

1.The number of children who have died whilst receiving in-patient psychiatric care at the time of their death.

A1 Information not held as mental health services are managed by North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust. If you wish to redirect your request to the Trust you can do so by post or email as below:

communications@northstaffs.nhs.uk

North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust
Trust Headquarters
Lawton House
Bellringer Road
Trentham
ST4 8HH

Alternatively you can contact the Trusts contact with the “Mental Health Liaison Service”:
Mr Phillip Wardle: Phillip.wardle@combined.nhs.uk

Q2 A breakdown of age, gender and ethnicity.

A2 As answer 1.

Q3 A breakdown of the cause of death where known

A3 As answer 1.

Q4 For each year, please provide the patient status, i.e. whether the child was detained or non-detained at the time of their death

A4 As answer 1.

Q5 The location of the death i.e. the hospital, NHS Trust, unit name or private provider

A5 As answer 1.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



Leah Carlisle
Deputy Head of Quality, Safety & Compliance