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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 19th September 2019 (received into our office 20th September) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding psychiatric care.

On 17th October 2019 we contacted you via email as we required the following clarification:
What do you mean by fatalities and psychiatric care? Are the fatalities due to the ECT or patients who are under Psychiatric Care who have died whilst in this care?

On 23rd October 2019 you replied via email with the following:
"Thank you for your email. I would like the figure of fatalities of any patient under the care/purview of the Psychiatric department(s). I hope this is now sufficient information?"

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 How many psychiatric beds does each hospital have within the Trust?

A1 None

Q2 How much does it cost to 'treat' a person under psychiatric care per year at each hospital?

A2 Zero

Q3 Please provide the last 10 years' worth of accounts for the Trust.

A3 Trust accounts for 2009 and 2010 attached.

I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding Trust accounts (for the remaining 8 years), but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link:

<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/aboutus/How-we-are-doing/Pages/AnnualReportsandAccounts.aspx>

Q4 Which hospitals administer Electro-Convulsive Therapy (ECT)?

- A4 Patients are admitted to the County Hospital under the care of an anaesthetist (due to admission rights). The Psychologist from the local Psychiatric hospital administers the treatment and the patient discharged 2 hours post procedure
- Q5 If ECT is administered, how many instances was it administered each year over the last 10 years.**
- A5 Please see below;
Information not held prior to 2017
- 2017 =10
 - 2018 =9
 - 2019= 12
- Q6 How many consultant psychiatrists are employed by each Trust?**
- A6 None
- Q7 How many fatalities were recorded of people treated under psychiatric care in the past 10 years.**
- A7 We do not have a psychiatric department at UHNM.
- Q8 How many children between the ages of 6 and 16 have been administered electric shock treatment in the past 10 years?**
- A8 None
- Q9 How many children aged 5 or younger have been administered electric shock treatment in the past 10 years?**
- A9 None

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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.

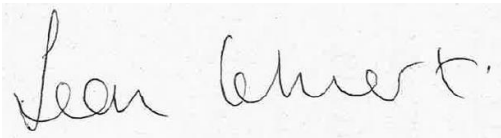
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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