

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

Reference

17-18175

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Subject

LGBT Mental Health Issues

Details of enquiry

Would you be able to provide the information as close to this format as possible:

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Number of suicides																		

Would you also be able to provide the number of total mental health cases over the same years.

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Number of cases																		

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Number of LGB cases																		
Number of Trans cases																		

Response Sent

We do not hold all the data requested, and have explained below which data we do and do not hold.

QUESTION 1

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Number of suicides	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Data not held	Data not held	Data not held	Data not held	Data not held	Data not held

- This suicide data is drawn from our Gender Identity services.
- We are unable to accurately report on numbers of LGBT patients because we do not hold all of this data. We can only report where patients have chosen to self-identify as such.
- We have reported statistically where patients have identified themselves for the records as LGB. Our electronic patient notes system shows a low completion rate for Sexuality, which is not a mandatory field. These files do not have a Trans option.

- d) We do not hold suicide statistics prior to 2006 in electronic form, and we are unable to manually extract this data from patient files, within the cost limit as set by the FOI Act 2000..

QUESTION 2

Would you also be able to provide the number of total mental health cases over the same years.

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Number of cases	7170	9114	8957	7093	6007	5889	5442	4101	3947	3448	2791	3155	2961	2771	1951	1607	2661	2667

- a) These figures represent the total number of referrals accepted.

QUESTION 3

And finally the number of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual mental health cases compared with the number of Trans mental health cases:

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Number of LGB cases	44*	68*	60*	18*	5*	4*	6*	1*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
Number of Trans cases	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below	See b) & c) below

- a) * indicates where the patient has chosen to self-identify as LGB only, and does not necessarily reflect the total of all LGB service users seen during that year.
- b) Having sought clarification from the enquirer, we understand that this relates to transsexual service users presenting with mental health issues.
- c) We do not record data in this way. We are unable to report the number of trans service users presenting with mental health issues because we do not require patients to identify as such for their patient records.