

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

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17-18189

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Subject

Referrals Involving Puberty Blockers

Details of enquiry

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, I should be grateful if you would disclose the number of children referred to the Gender Identity Development Service who have been prescribed puberty blockers each year during the period 2009-2017, together with a breakdown by age and by gender assigned at birth for each year.

Response Sent

Please note we do not currently hold data on the exact number of those who have been prescribed hormone blockers as we sub contract the endocrinology aspect of GIDS to acute hospital providers.

We do have records of the number of those who we refer to our endocrinology team. While not everyone referred to the endocrinology clinic will be prescribed the hormone blocker, the vast majority will.

The data below show the number of young people referred to our endocrinology clinic.

Please note the following fields:

- Year – this is the year that the patient was referred to the GIDS, not the year they were referred for endocrinology. This explains why the 2017 data is low.
- Age – this is the age at which the young person was referred to the GIDS, not the age they were referred for endocrinology

Numbers by gender assigned at birth

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Female	10	30	50	73	109	146	262	102	1
Male	22	28	30	43	69	89	118	60	1
Assigned Gender not listed	3	0	4	6	4	1	0	0	0
Total	35	58	84	122	182	236	380	162	2

Number by age at referral

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
5	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
6	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
7	1	1	2	2	1	0	0	1	0
8	2	1	1	4	2	2	1	0	0
9	1	2	1	3	2	4	1	1	0
10	1	1	4	8	4	8	13	2	0
11	2	3	3	5	6	8	12	5	0
12	1	1	4	3	6	9	19	2	0
13	2	2	3	7	16	21	33	14	0
14	1	7	15	22	21	31	69	30	0
15	6	14	14	25	49	56	107	55	0
16	10	7	21	34	67	73	108	47	1
17	7	17	15	6	8	22	17	4	1
18	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
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