

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

### Reference

19-20040

### Date sent

28/05/2019

### Subject

Homeless Patients Admissions

### Details of enquiry

- 1) How many attendances to your organisation were coded as NFA (no fixed address) per year in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018?
- 2) Does your organisation have (a) a documented pathway for supporting homeless patients; or (b) a housing officer (or similar); or (c) a supply of clean clothes to offer homeless people? If yes to (a), (b), or (c) please provide details.
- 3) How many patient referrals to a local housing authority under the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 has your organisation made since 1 October 2018?
- 4) What is your organisation doing, or planning to do, to support homeless patients or to comply with the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017?

### Response Sent

- 1) How many attendances to your organisation were coded as NFA (no fixed address) per year in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018?

For our own ease of reference I have pasted below, the data that we hold below and have also attached it as an Excel file which contains the keys to the external codes used.

(see table on next page)

Financial Year	Accommodation Status	External Code	No. of Patients
2010 / 2011	Temporary accommodation	HM03	2
2013 / 2014	LA Placement in Temp Acc	HM05	3
2013 / 2014	Other homeless	HM07	3
2014 / 2015	LA Placement in Temp Acc	HM05	1
2014 / 2015	Other homeless	HM07	2
2014 / 2015	Squatting	HM02	1
2014 / 2015	Staying with friends/family	HM06	19
2014 / 2015	Temporary accommodation	HM03	6
2015 / 2016	Sofa surfing	HM04	1
2015 / 2016	Staying with friends/family	HM06	44
2015 / 2016	Temporary accommodation	HM03	9
2016 / 2017	LA Placement in Temp Acc	HM05	7
2016 / 2017	Other homeless	HM07	8
2016 / 2017	Sofa surfing	HM04	1
2016 / 2017	Staying with friends/family	HM06	217
2016 / 2017	Temporary accommodation	HM03	20
2017 / 2018	LA Placement in Temp Acc	HM05	27
2017 / 2018	Other homeless	HM07	5
2017 / 2018	Rough sleeper	HM01	1
2017 / 2018	Sofa surfing	HM04	3
2017 / 2018	Squatting	HM02	1
2017 / 2018	Staying with friends/family	HM06	1511
2017 / 2018	Temporary accommodation	HM03	53
2018 / 2019	LA Placement in Temp Acc	HM05	19
2018 / 2019	Other homeless	HM07	4
2018 / 2019	Rough sleeper	HM01	1
2018 / 2019	Staying with friends/family	HM06	1398
2018 / 2019	Temporary accommodation	HM03	58
2019 / 2020	Sofa surfing	HM04	1
2019 / 2020	Staying with friends/family	HM06	160
2019 / 2020	Temporary accommodation	HM03	8

Row Labels	Total Patients
2010 / 2011	2
2013 / 2014	6
2014 / 2015	29
2015 / 2016	54
2016 / 2017	253
2017 / 2018	1601
2018 / 2019	1480
2019 / 2020	169
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3594</b>

Row Labels	Total patients
LA Placement in Temp Acc	57
Other homeless	22
Rough sleeper	2
Sofa surfing	6
Squatting	2
Staying with friends/family	3349
Temporary accommodation	156
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3594</b>

- 2) Does your organisation have (a) a documented pathway for supporting homeless patients; or (b) a housing officer (or similar); or (c) a supply of clean clothes to offer homeless people? If yes to (a), (b), or (c) please provide details.

We do not have a housing officer, or formally documented pathway. The PALS Officer is available to provide support with housing related issues such as signposting to Shelter, local housing offices, or support services that can offer specialised advice. Some teams, such as Trauma, also provide support and liaise with other services to assist patients.

- 3) How many patient referrals to a local housing authority under the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 has your organisation made since 1 October 2018?

We do not record this information.

- 4) What is your organisation doing, or planning to do, to support homeless patients or to comply with the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017?

Our PALS office offers whatever support we can to those in need of housing and related issues, contacting agencies that can help, food banks, charities that provide furniture or household objects but we cannot advise directly as this is a specialist area.