Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

Reference

19-20133

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Subject

GIDS Patients Previously Taking Unregulated Hormone Meds

Details of enquiry

My query relates to GIDS / Tavistock and Portman patients who have previously taken gender-relevant hormones that have either not been prescribed by a doctor, or have been illegally prescribed by a doctor.

For each of the last 10 years, please state the number of such patients referred to GIDS / Tavistock and Portman.

Separately, for each year please state what specific hormones were known / suspected to have been administered, and in how many cases they appeared.

If possible, please also state where these hormones were obtained - i.e. which website.

Response Sent

I can confirm that the Trust holds information that falls within the description specified in your request, but we have estimated that it would cost more than the statutory limit to manually identify, retrieve, and collate this data from thousands of patients files, and turn it into a report. This is because the data you have requested cannot be collated electronically, as patients previous hormone medication is not held within the electronically collatable fields section of individual patients records, and would require resources far beyond the provisions of the FOI Act 2000 to inspect thousands of individual clinical records to produce the requested report.