

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

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Subject

Gender Dysphoria

Details of enquiry

1. How many children aged between 7-11 in England, have been diagnosed with gender dysphoria between September 2014 to September 2019?
2. How many children aged between 7-11 who have been diagnosed with the condition gender dysphoria were offered professional mental health support (therapy, counselling, etc) between September 2014 to September 2019?

Response Sent

1. How many children aged between 7-11 in England, have been diagnosed with gender dysphoria between September 2014 to September 2019?
Please see our response to [FOI 18-19324 GIDS - Gender Dysphoria Diagnosis 2016-18](#) for the Trust's response to a similar question.

I can confirm that the Trust holds information that falls within the description of this question, however, we do work with young people as individuals, and data on young people fulfilling a diagnosis of gender dysphoria per year is not held in a way that is electronically collatable. To extrapolate this data this would require resources well in excess of the notional 2.5 working days/ £450 cost base provisioned under section 12 of FOIA 2000, and would require us to physically examine, identify, extract and collate data from thousands of patient files. Consequently, the Trust is not obliged to respond further to this question, however should you wish to narrow the scope of your question, then the Trust would treat any reformulated request we receive as a fresh FOI request and may be able to help you further.

A further point to appreciate is that a patient fulfilling any such diagnosis at a specific point in time does not indicate what the outcome may be for that young person in the longer term.

2. How many children aged between 7-11 who have been diagnosed with the condition gender dysphoria were offered professional mental health support (therapy, counselling, etc) between September 2014 to 2019?
Please see our response to question 1 above.

You might find it helpful to refer to our service specifications for more information on our service model. They can be found here: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/gender-development-service-children-adolescents.pdf>