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RE: Freedom of Information Request

12th December 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 1st December 2023, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I would like to request the following information to be released, if held, with regards to the Patient Initiated Digital Mutual Aid System (PIDMAS).

1. The number of patients who had been on a waiting list for treatment with the trust for 40 weeks or more, as of 31 October 2023.

There were 4790 patients who were waiting 40 weeks or more for treatment as at 31 October 2023. This is irrespective of their eligibility criteria for PIDMAS.

2. The number of patients contacted by the trust to tell them of their eligibility to choose a different provider or health trust through PIDMAS, as of 1 December 2023.

The trust has contacted 1446 patients who have met the criteria for PIDMAS.

3. The number of patients who have been referred to another provider or health trust, through PIDMAS, as of 1 December 2023.

Of the 1446 patients contacted there have been 27 patients in total that have been referred to another provider through PIDMAS.

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook

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Yours faithfully

Information Governance Team

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