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Dear Ms Holt

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 16th February 2021 by NHS Kent and Medway Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

I am interested in the statistics of mental health issues since lockdown and potentially suicide rates

- 1. I am seeking to know either the admissions to mental health services from last April/during lockdown.
- 2. The death statistics related to mental health would be useful if the trust has them please.

I can confirm that NHS Kent and Medway CCG does not hold this information, your request will need to be redirected to the Trust and also Public Health England.

Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust https://www.kmpt.nhs.uk/

Public Health England

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england

We hope that this has dealt with your request for information, however, should you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to request that we conduct an internal review of the way we have handled your request. If you would like us to conduct such a review, please contact us within two months of this letter:

Email NELCSU.foi@nhs.net or

Clinical Chair: Dr Navin Kumta Accountable Officer: Wilf Williams Letter reference: FOI.20.KAM000

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Your request for an internal review will then be processed in accordance with our Freedom of Information Policy.

If you are still dissatisfied following the internal review, you have the right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner provides full and detailed guidance on the Freedom of Information Act and on when and how to complain.

Please find below the link to their website page and their helpline number.

https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response, which will protect your anonymity, will be posted on the CCGs website.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team NEL CSU

This Freedom of Information request has been processed by NEL CSU on behalf of

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