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Dear Mr George

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 19th March 2019 by NHS Thanet Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

1) the number of deaths of patients with a learning disability that occurred in the last three years (by years defined as 1/4/16 - 31/3/17, 1/4/17 - 31/3/18, 1/4/18 to present).

2) the number of independent investigations into the deaths of patients with a learning disability that you have commissioned in the last three years (defined as above)

3a) the number of deaths of patients with a learning disability that have resulted in an inquest in the last three years (defined as above)

3b) of those inquests the number that were an Article 2 inquest

I can confirm NHS Thanet CCG does not hold the information. This information may be held by the Trusts and Local Authority. You can contact them using the links below:

East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUFT)

Web: <http://www.ekhuft.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/about-us/freedom-of-information/freedom-of-information-request-form/>

Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust (KCHFT)

Email: kcht.foi@nhs.net

Web: <http://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/home/about-us/freedom-of-information/>

Kent County Council (KCC)

Web: <https://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/information-and-data/access-to-information/freedom-of-information-requests>

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

FOI-Internal Review Request
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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 NHS Thanet Clinical Commissioning Group website.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team
NEL CSU

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

NHS Thanet Clinical Commissioning Group
Thanet District Council
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