

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Response

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Your ref: Email received 16/11/2015

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Dear Carol Ryalls

File Reference: 15FOI528
Date request received: 16/11/2015
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Disclosure date: 01/12/2015

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I refer to your email received 16/11/2015 in which you requested information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is confirming in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it holds the information requested and is supplying it in accordance with section 1(b) unless otherwise specified.

For organisational context: Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is the largest teaching hospital trust in the South West. We employ over 6,000 staff working in 350 different roles within the Trust. We offer a full range of general hospital services to around 450,000 people in Plymouth, North and East Cornwall and South and West Devon. These include emergency and trauma services, maternity services, paediatrics and a full range of diagnostic, medical and surgical sub-specialties.

We work within a network of other hospitals to offer a range of specialist services to a population of between 700,000 and two million depending on the type of care needed.

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You asked:

Please provide data for the following:

- 1 Number of referrals to all specialties at PHNT between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015**

170,038

- 2 Number of referrals to Cardiology specialty at PHNT between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015**

4579

- 3 Number of referrals to Neurology specialty at PHNT between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015**

3620

- 4 Number of referrals to Paediatrics specialty at PHNT between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015**

5487 (Paediatrics) and 254 (Community Paediatrics)

- 5 Number of referrals to PHNT for Tilt Table Tests between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015**

The Trust does not hold the information requested within any data system. We do not have the granularity to provide a complete answer that captures all referrals that result in the tests.

We do however have a specialty where we record numbers of referrals for Trans Ischaemic Attack – for that condition for the period April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015 there were 602 referrals.

- 6 Number of referrals to PHNT for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (M.E.) between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015.**

The Trust does not hold the information requested within any data system. CFE and ME is not always recorded in the referral or waiting list comment and consequentially would not capture this data.

- 7 Number of referrals to Neuropsychology / Child Psychology / CAMHS specialties at PHNT between April 1st 2014 & March 31st 2015**

396 (Neuropsychology)
27 (Child Psychology)
20 (CAMHS).

8a-8c Accident and Emergency visits at hospitals within your trust

Please provide the information as follows:

- a) by year from 2000 to present**
- b) for girls aged 12-19 at time of referral**

c) for boys aged 12-19 at time of referral

Below is the number of ED Presentations for calendar years 2000 to 2014 and for Jan 1st 2015 to 31st October 2015.

Year	Total Number of all ED Presentations	Number of Female 12-19yrs ED Presentations	Number of Male 12-19yrs ED Presentations
2000	66869	3979	6008
2001	67586	3939	6022
2002	66442	3912	5686
2003	70731	4037	6030
2004	74238	4485	6463
2005	77868	4694	6473
2006	80660	4910	6879
2007	79237	4874	6240
2008	80707	4555	5932
2009	84747	4898	5868
2010	86815	4820	5929
2011	87677	4505	5728
2012	87904	4276	4982
2013	86525	4269	4436
2014	92792	4636	4856
Jan-Oct 2015	76510	3751	3567

Applicant notes

Please include in the data, all referrals to hospitals and services within your trust, from patients in area and out of area

Please include referrals from primary care e.g. from GPs and also from within secondary care e.g. from paediatrician to cardiologist etc

Attachments included: No

If I can be of any further assistance to you please do not hesitate to contact me on ☎ 01752 431058.

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Yours faithfully

Freedom of Information Manager