

Freedom of Information Request

Reference Number: EPUT.FOI.24.3841

Date Received: 20/11/2024

Information Requested:

1. If the Trust has been commissioned to deliver Mental Health Services to the Community?

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust is commissioned to provide mental health services to the community. Please see our website for services we provide.

2. Who is responsible for the safe discharge of Mental Health patients from Hospital?

For service users detained under the Mental Health Act, the responsibility for discharge is with the Responsible Clinician for the individual person.

For those service users admitted informally (not under the Mental Health Act) the responsibility is with the identified Consultant for the service area. The Consultant will involve the multidisciplinary team in making any discharge decisions.

3. Who is responsible for delivering support services to people with complex mental health challenges?

A range of services may be involved in the care and support of individuals with complex mental health needs (including other agencies in addition to health services) and will include responsible clinicians.

Publication Scheme:

As part of the Freedom of Information Act all public organisations are required to proactively publish certain classes of information on a Publication Scheme. A publication scheme is a guide to the information that is held by the organisation. EPUT's Publication Scheme is located on its Website at the following link <https://eput.nhs.uk>