

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

1. How many people were detained under section of the Mental Health Act 1983 (as amended) since January 2024 across Essex.

There were 956 patients detained at EPUT between January 2024 and November 2024.

2. How many of the people detained were discharged?

There were 694 detained patients discharged from EPUT between January 2024 and November 2024.

3. How many of the patients discharged were seen by a Psychiatrist following discharge for review?

Exempt under section 12

For context there are circa 500 patient records that would require manual audit to accurately answer this question, this would take in the region of 40hrs.

4. How many patients discharged were seen in their homes within 2 weeks?

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5. How many of the patients were not seen by a psychiatrist or in their home and have been re-admitted?

Exempt under section 12

This answer is dependent on questions 3 & 4.

Section 12 exemption

We can confirm that the Trust holds information that falls within the description specified in your request. However, it has been calculated that to retrieve the information would exceed the 'appropriate limit' as described in the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Fees Regulations. The appropriate limit for the NHS is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours in determining whether the Trust holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Consequently, the Trust is not obliged by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to respond to your request (see section 12(1)).

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