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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Further to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding CAMHS Service, please see below our response to your request.

Request:

Below mentioned are the questions:

1. How many children and young people does your CCG currently have waiting for assessment following referral to tier 3 CAMHS services?
2. How many of these have waited for less than four weeks/between 4 and 18 weeks/18 weeks to a year/longer than a year (please break down numbers waiting according to these categories)? Please state how long the person waiting the longest has waited.
3. How many children and young people have currently been assessed as needing CAMHS tier 3 treatment but have not yet started it?
4. How many of these have waited less than 4 weeks/between 4 and 18 weeks/18 weeks to a year/more than a year in total (ie since referral, not since assessment; please break down numbers waiting according to the categories listed). Please state how long the person waiting the longest has waited.
5. Over the last year, how many referrals for CAMHS tier 3 have you had? What proportion of these are then assessed as needing tier 3 treatment?

Could you please help us with the answers for the above questions and fill it in the attached spreadsheet.

Response:

Unfortunately NHS St Helens CCG does not hold this information, you will need to redirect your enquiry to North West Boroughs NHS Healthcare Foundation Trust at foi@nwbh.nhs.uk.

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review process is available, which will be managed by a FOI Appeals Officer.

This can be formally requested and must be done within a reasonable period of time (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the response to a request for information that falls within the Environmental Information Regulations, you should make a representation for a review to FOI Appeals Officer, sthelensccg.foi@nhs.net within 40 days of receipt of the response.

If you are not satisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at;

ICO, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you need any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Angela Delea".

Angela Delea
Associate Director – Corporate Governance
NHS St Helens Clinical Commissioning Group