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**Dear Requestor** 

**RE: Freedom of Information Request** 

With reference to your request for information I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we partially hold the information that you have requested. A response to your request is below.

In the request you asked:

The number of children (under 18) with mental health conditions admitted to hospital for the last 5 years if available, alternatively if that exceeds the FOI time limit, the most recent calendar year or April-March (FY year), whatever is easier to provide. Please split the numbers into the following segments if they are possible:

- Number sent to a hospital out of area (outside of the ICS boundary)
  Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB do not hold this information.
- Number sent to physical health hospital

Please see excel report attached, which provides an overview of activity within the ICS acute hospitals.

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB do hold this information however if the number is very low (10 or less) the information cannot be disclosed as it could potentially identify the individuals involved, especially if combined with other data, and this would constitute a breach of the Data Protection Act 2018. Therefore, in some instances this information is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on the grounds that it is personal information.

Number sent to a mental health hospital

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB do not hold this information.

If available the number per hospital admission type (self harm or diagnosis etc)

Please see excel report attached

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If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) have an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Associate Director of Governance via <a href="mailto:lucy.branson@nhs.net">lucy.branson@nhs.net</a> or by writing to FOI Team at NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham, NG5 6DA.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/">https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/</a>

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to:

FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern via <a href="https://ico.org.uk/concerns/">https://ico.org.uk/concerns/</a>

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information (FOI) Officer on behalf of NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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