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You asked

- 1. Please name the NHS Trust(s) that you represent. Where more than one NHS Trust is represented, please respond to the following requests for information for each Trust individually.**

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust (PHNT)

- 2. For the financial year 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016, please indicate the number of patients in your NHS Trust with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. If your Trust deals with both adults and children, then please indicate numbers for both of these patient groups.**

For Financial Year 2015/2016 there were 295 adult discharged from PHNT where Fatigue syndrome (ICD10 Code F480) / Chronic fatigue syndrome or Post viral fatigue syndrome (ICD10 Code G933) was coded on discharge in any coding position. For the same period there were five or fewer child discharges with the above coding recorded on discharge.

Please refer to the legal notes below for why we have used a five or fewer response to the child data.

- 3. For the financial year 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016, please indicate the number of patients in your NHS Trust with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome who have been seen by a Dietitian.**

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is confirming in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it does not hold the information requested in any collated format. Individual records of how someone was treated and their conditions would be held in clinical records, but the Trust could not locate, extract and collate such information as requested within the limitations of the Act. It is therefore considered exempt from supply in accordance with section 12(1) of the Act – Request exceeds the appropriate limit by virtue of section 13.-(1)(a) – The Cost of Compliance exceeds the appropriate limit.

- 4. Please indicate whether Dietitians within your NHS Trust have a specific nutritional care plan / care pathway for the management of Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. Where this exists, please provide all documentation.**

There is no condition specific nutritional care plan used by Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust for patients with diagnosis of Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.

Legal notes

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.

Please find the answers to your questions noting that we have redacted the data set where numbers are five or fewer. This avoids a breach of the first two Data Protection Act principles. This is in accordance with section 40.-(2)(a) and (b) by virtue of section 40.-(3)(a)(i), the personal information exemption as described in the Freedom of Information Act. A detailed rationale is provided in the attached document L3.

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