

FOI 3662

25th March 2026

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

Does the liaison psychiatry service accept referrals for patients diagnosed with suspected or confirmed Functional Neurological Disorder (FND)?

Response:

Yes

Are there formal exclusion criteria that would prevent patients with FND from being assessed by liaison psychiatry?

Response:

No

Are there inclusion criteria within FND?

Response:

No

Where are patients with FND assessed?

Response:

- a. Inpatient wards
- b. Emergency departments

Is there a standardised assessment tool you use for patients with suspected or confirmed FND?

Response:

No

Do you have a policy, guideline or dedicated pathway for patients with suspected or confirmed FND?

Response:

No

Between January 2024-December 2025, how many patients with a suspected or confirmed FND were referred to liaison psychiatry? *

Response:

This data is not held

Between January 2024-December 2025, how many patients with a suspected or confirmed FND were accepted by liaison psychiatry? *

Response:

This data is not held

If FND patients are not seen by the liaison psychiatry team, are they referred to other services for assessment of their mental health?

Response:

N/A

Does the liaison psychiatry unit provide training to its staff on FND? If yes, please specify.

Response:

No

Is your liaison psychiatry service commissioned to see patients with FND?

Response:

Not specifically

** Alternative codes for FND: psychogenic, conversion, stress-induced, functional, pseudoseizure, dissociative, non-organic, psychosomatic, hysterical, psychological cause.*

Email: Foi.Team@Southerntrust.hscni.net