

FOI 2435

30th May 2024

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

	Q1. As of March 31st, 2024, how many social workers were employed by the trust?	Q2. As of March 31st, 2019, how many social workers were employed by the trust?	Q3. As of March 31st, 2024, how many cases were being looked after by social workers at the trust?	Q4. As of March 31st, 2019, how many cases were being looked after by social workers at the trust?
Adult Disability Service			3,099	3,941
Mental Health Service			3,657	5,131
Mental Health & Disability Services Directorate	222	169		
Older People Services/Adult Community Services	121	82	6,816	6,326
Acute Hospital Social Work (CAH/DHH) / Medicine & Unscheduled Care Directorate	33	32	633	626
Children in Need			6,027	5,277
Child Protection			508	550
Looked After Children			676	560
Children Leaving Care			294	248
Children & Young People's Services Directorate	441	414		
Other Directorates	6	0		
Total	823	697	21,710	22,659

Note Staff in Post Q1&2 Responses: Figures exclude Bank Staff, Staff on Career Break/Seconded Out of the Trust and staff aligned to Staff Side Organisational Units.

Staff with multiple posts are counted more than once and figures include qualified social workers (and AYE's) however some staff may not be employed in social work specific roles.

Q5. Of those cases on March 31st, 2019 and March 31st, 2023, how many of those were high risk?

Response:

It is not possible to indicate level of risk associated with these cases as this would require review of individual case records.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit.

Unfortunately we are unable to provide the information you have requested as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the "appropriate limit" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. It has been estimated that it would take more than 18 hours to locate and retrieve the requested information. In order to obtain this information and it would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

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