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Date Received: 11th July 2025

Response Due: 8th August 2025

Date: 7th August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 11th July 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide data for the period Jan 2025 to June 2025 (last six months), broken down by calendar month where applicable

The following request:

- 1. Emergency Department Bed delays for Adult Mental Health Patients (18-65yrs)
 - The number of patients per month within the ED who have been deemed medically fit but awaiting a mental health bed for
 - o Greater than 24hrs
 - o Greater than 48hrs
 - o Greater than 72hrs
- 2. Acute Ward bed delays for Adult Mental Health patients (18-65yrs)
- The number of patients within Medical/ Surgical/ Obstetric Wards (including those who have been bedded within temporary areas such as daycare, SDEC etc) who have been deemed medically fit but are awaiting a mental health bed for
 - o Greater than 24hrs
 - o Greater than 48hrs
 - o Greater than 72hrs
 - Over 1 week
 - Over 1 month

- 3. Emergency Department Bed delays for Older Persons Mental Health Patients (65yrs+)
- The number of patients within the ED who have been deemed medically fit but awaiting a mental health bed for
 - Greater than 24hrs
 - Greater than 48hrs
 - Greater than 72hrs
- 4. Acute Ward bed delays for Older Persons Mental Health patients (65yrs+)
- The number of patients within Medical/ Surgical/ Older Persons Wards (including those who
 have been bedded within temporary areas such as daycare, SDEC etc) who have been deemed
 medically fit but are awaiting a mental health bed for
 - Greater than 24hrs
 - o Greater than 48hrs
 - Greater than 72hrs
 - Over 1 week
 - o Over 1 month

5. Amount of enhanced 1:1 or 2:1 supervision

Please provide the number of patients / hours per month who required 1:1 / 2:1 supervision where this has not been provided by the local Mental Health trust (ie: the cost has been incurred by your Trust)

6. No of beds Commissioned by your Trust for Mental Health patients Number of patients in the six month period in which your Trust has commissioned a private bed for a mental health patient due to delays in accessing a Mental Health Bed

7. Capital Investment.

Do you have any plans to create a Mental Health Emergency Department (MHED) within your Trust (as outlined within the recent NHS 10 year plan Plan- extract below)

Please redirect your questions to GMMH at foi@gmmh.nhs.uk as they currently provide Mental Health services within our Emergency Department.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Joanne Bark

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If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111