

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

We are currently conducting research into the pressures Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services are facing due to the national pressure to make cuts in budgets. We hope to be able to use the information in our discussions with Government to demonstrate the pressure some CAMH services are facing and to reiterate the important role CAMHS plays in supporting children and young people.

I would be grateful if under the Freedom of Information act you could supply me with the following:

- 1) Please could you tell me the budget for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) for each of the following years a) 2010-2011, b) 2011-2012 and c) 2012-2013?**
- 2) Please could you also tell me whether, between April 2010 and the date of this request**
 - a) the criteria for being accepted for assessment and/ or treatment within the CAMH service has changed**
 - b) there are now groups of clients/ types of problems for which you do not accept referrals**
 - c) the criteria for which agencies/ people are allowed to refer into CAMH services has changed**
 - d) there have been any local limits (formal or informal) placed on the number of sessions that can be offered to clients for assessment and/ or treatment**

I would be grateful if you could provide me with a copy of any existing referral criteria or guidance on offering assessment and any previous criteria/ guidance issued after April 2010.

Leicester City Council does not hold this information. This letter acts as a refusal notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because, in accordance with section 1.1 of the Act, this information is not held by Leicester City Council. It may be helpful to contact the Information Governance team at Leicestershire NHS Partnership Trust at the address below:

**Information Governance
Leicestershire NHS Partnership Trust
Bridge Park Plaza
Bridge Park Road
Thurmaston
Leicester
LE4 8PQ**

Tel: (0116) 225 2525

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please write to:

Information Governance Manager

Information and Support

Leicester City Council

FREEPOST (LE985/33)

New Walk Centre

LEICESTER LE1 6ZG

e-mail: FOIA@leicester.gov.uk

Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

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Wycliffe House

Water Lane

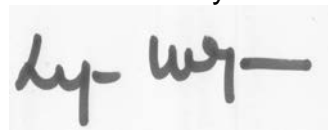
Wilmslow SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545 700

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Yours sincerely



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