

Reference:	FOI.2547.20
Subject:	Mental health patients at secure units
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Requested:

1.) How many mental health patients under the care of the health board are currently placed with providers in England?
1. b) How many mental health patients under the care of the health board are currently placed at St Andrew's Healthcare in Northampton?
2. a) How many mental health patients under the care of the health board have been placed at St Andrew's Healthcare in Northampton within the past six months?
2. b) How many mental health patients under the care of the health board have been placed at St Andrew's Healthcare in Northampton within the past year?
3. a) In the past 10 years how many mental health patients have died while under the care of providers in England?
3. b) In the past 10 years how many mental health patients have died while under the care of St Andrew's Healthcare?
4. a) How many mental health patients currently placed with providers in England have been admitted to an accident and emergency department within the past year?
4. b) How many mental health patients currently placed with St Andrew's healthcare have been admitted to an accident and emergency department within the past year?
5. a) In the past three years, how much money has the health board paid to mental health care providers in England? (Please provide a breakdown for each year/ or financial year if this is how records are kept)
5. b) In the past three years, how much money has the health board paid to St Andrew's Healthcare? (Please provide a breakdown for each year/ or financial year if this is how records are kept)

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with the answers to questions 1 to 4 due to the low numbers of cases (5 and under), as there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. The UHB is therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018 / General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) 2016, as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles and articles 6 and 9 of the GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

In reaching this decision, the Data Protection Act 2018 / General Data Protection Regulations 2016 defines personal data as data which relates to a living individual who can be identified solely from that data or from that data and other information which is in the possession of the data controller.

5. The table below provides the total amount the UHB has paid to hospitals in England, including the individual totals paid to St Andrew's Hospital, Northampton during the requested timeframe.

Calendar Year	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Total paid to hospitals in England	£188,486.62	£210,160.00	£210,160.00
Total paid to St Andrews, Northampton	£0.00	£210,160.00	£210,160.00