

FOI 4071

### Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) Treatments

1) Provide the number of ECT treatments given to patients (if any) in the calendar years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

See table below.

2) Provide the number of patients (if any) having received ECT treatment in the calendar years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

See table below.

	Q1	Q2
YEAR	NO. PATIENTS	NO. TREATMENTS ADMINISTERED
2022	21	260
2023	24	342
2024	30	315
2025	23	298

Within the Northern Trust, information during 2020 to 2021 would have been manually recorded in a patient's record. It would require a manual recall and review of all Mental Health inpatient records prior to 2022 which the Trust considers would exceed 18 hours of staff time. Therefore, the Trust is applying Section 12 (1) of the FOIA, which states that a public authority is not obliged to comply with a request, if the staff time taken to determine whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting the information, would exceed 18 hours (at a cost exceeding £450).