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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI024-1718

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about eating disorders. Please find the Trust’s response below.

Referrals for eating disorders

1. Does your trust use Body Mass Index as a) a primary indicator, or b) one of its measures to determine which patients should be referred for specialist or outpatient treatments for eating disorders?
No
2. If BMI is used, what BMI threshold would determine whether a patient is referred for outpatient or other specialist treatment? (eg a BMI of 17)
N/A
3. If a BMI threshold is used, has this threshold changed in any of the past five years and if so from what figure to what?
N/A
4. How many referrals for eating disorder treatment were made in a) 2016 b) 2015 c) 2014?

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

	2016	2015	2014
Total referrals received	496	392	399

HEREFORDSHIRE

	2016	2015	2014
Total referrals received	51	70	74

5. Once a referral was made, what was the average waiting time from GP referral to first appointment for patients with an eating disorder for: a) 2016 b) 2015 c) 2014?

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

	2016	2015	2014
Average (days)	24	36	44

HEREFORDSHIRE

	2016	2015	2014
Average(days)	24	17	18

Should you have any queries in relation to our response in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request and wish to ask us to review our response, you should write to:-

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Yours sincerely,

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