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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI 061-1819

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about care of military veterans. Please find the Trust's response below.

- 1) How many military veterans in your area (both in your care and in wider society) have taken their own lives or are suspected of having taking their own lives in each of the following years?

The Trust does not hold this information.

- 2) How many military veterans have accessed NHS mental health services or the Military Veterans' Service in your area in each of those years?

Please note, the increase from mid 2011/12 is partly due to a change in recording methodology. We cannot confirm if the veterans were referred due to an issue relating to their military service.

2010/11 **101**
2011/12 **192**
2012/13 **462**
2013/14 **426**
2014/15 **578**
2015/16 **753**
2016/17 **866**
2017/18 **849**
2018 – (01/04/18 to 17/06/18) **145**

- 3) How many military veterans accessing those services have been treated for PTSD?
Please note that these figures are calculated using an open diagnosis of PTSD whilst the referral is open, the Trust does not record individual interventions. We cannot confirm that the PTSD diagnoses are military service related.
As with question 2, the increase from mid 2011/12 is partly due to a change in recording methodology.

2010/11 **6**
2011/12 **8**
2012/13 **31**
2013/14 **24**
2014/15 **51**
2015/16 **94**
2016/17 **158**
2017/18 **199**
2018 – (01/04/18 to 17/06/18) **47**

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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