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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI 339-1819

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about mental health social workers. Please find our response in the enclosed completed form.

Yours sincerely,

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Definitions

For the purposes of this request, the following definitions should be applied:

Social worker - Employee in a post requiring a professional qualification where that qualification is recorded as social worker OR employee in a non-qualified post who holds a professional qualification recorded as social worker

Mental health provision - A service or role where service user eligibility is based upon mental health need

1. Does the NHS trust directly employ any social workers to work within mental health provision? If yes, how many? If no, please proceed to question 4

Yes, 70

2. Does the number above include any Approved Mental Health Professionals? If yes, how many social work Approved Mental Health Professionals are employed by the NHS trust?

Yes, 6

3. In which of the following service areas does the trust directly employ mental health social workers (please provide numbers for each area or, if unable to do so, please provide a total figure in the 'other' box):

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| 10 | CAMHS |
| | Early Intervention in Psychosis |
| 13 | Working Age Adults |
| 3 | Older Adults |
| | Forensic Mental Health |
| 1 | Inpatient services |
| 6 | Crisis Resolution and Home Treatment |
| | Other (please specify): |

4. Are any mental health services provided by the trust commissioned from a third party provider? If yes, which services are externally commissioned?

Yes: We commission external services for Asylum Seekers and Refugees, mental health support line, Liaison and Diversion: Women's and Youth, Physical support for our patients from GP surgeries, digital therapy options and children's counselling services and support for dementia patients from a national charity.

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If your organisation would like to receive a copy of the final report detailing the national provision of mental health social work, please include contact details for the relevant person or team with your response.