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REQUEST

The purpose of the research project is to better understand the wider picture so far as provision of mental health and secure beds are concerned across those three jurisdictions and follows decisions in a concerning number of court cases identifying a lack of appropriate provision. With that in mind, I make the below request for information under the Freedom of Information Act:

Please could you kindly provide details of:

1. The number of low secure Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) and medium secure CAMHS beds within your Authority or Trust and how many of those are currently available for new admissions.
2. The number of low secure CAMHS beds within your Authority or Trust and how many of those are currently available for new admissions.
3. The number of medium secure CAMHS Service beds within your Authority or Trust and how many of those are currently available for new admissions.
4. The number of welfare social care secure beds within your Authority or Trust and how many of those are currently available for new admissions; and
5. The number of forensic secure beds within your Authority or Trust and how many of those are currently available for new admissions.

Further, please could you kindly provide details of:

- The number of young people within your Authority area or Trust area who have been assessed as requiring a CAMHS Tier 4 mental health

bed but have not been admitted due to a shortage in resource (we do not require personal details or reasons for the conclusion reached, just numbers).

- The number of young people within your Authority area or Trust area who have been assessed as requiring a CAMHS low secure mental health bed but have not been admitted due to a shortage in resource; and
- The number of children accommodated within your Authority area or Trust area in unapproved, unregulated settings. Please note that this information will be treated with the strictest of confidence and your Authority or Trust **will not** be identified alongside this information within the final research paper when published.

RESPONSE

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