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Subject: burden of mental health admissions

## REQUEST

### **This request is for STHK ONLY**

I have received most of the requested data for the admission numbers to Whiston Hospital. However, the last paragraph of my request seems to have been missed as this data has not been provided.

It requested:

"Would it also be possible to be given the data (inc. age / gender / month of admission) for all patients admitted to hospital in that time so that I can calculate the proportion of all admissions who had a mental health disorder?"

Without the number of overall medical admissions I am not able to calculate the proportion of admissions which were due to mental health.

Could I please request that this information is provided? To be clear, it is only the adult (18 years and over) admissions to medical beds (not surgery or other directorates, and not all A&E attendances if they weren't admitted) between 01/08/21 to 31/07/2022 that I require.

Again, I do not require any patient identifiable information.

For example:

X adult patients admitted to medical beds at Whiston hospital between 01/08/21 and 31/07/2022 in total, (insert no.) were male and (insert no.) were female, and (insert number) were other.

(number) for each age bracket 18 -39, 40-59, 60-79, 80 and above

(number) admitted in Autumn (sept-nov 2021), Winter (Dec 2021-Feb 2022),

Spring (March 2022-May 2022) and summer (June -July 2022 plus August 2021).

## RESPONSE

For Exec sign off:

The data below includes a total of 24,432 admissions to SDEC/CDU Ward Lower Ground, Ward 1B GP Assessment Unit GPAU & Ward 1B Medical Ambulatory Care

The data excludes the wards Duffy, Discharge Lounge and Seddon IMC due to non-accessible medical beds.

	Male	Female	Other
August 2021	1,440	1,736	
Sept - Nov 21 Autumn	4,198	5,249	
Dec 21 - Feb 22 Winter	4,183	5,172	<5
March - May 22 Spring	4,877	6,300	<5
June - July 22 Summer	3,206	4,038	
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,904</b>	<b>22,495</b>	<b>&lt;5</b>

	18-39	40-59	60-79	80+
Aug-21	595	664	1,142	775
Sept - Nov 21 Autumn	1,867	2,135	3,231	2,214
Dec 21 - Feb 22 Winter	2,054	2,222	2,984	2,096
March - May 22 Spring	2,783	2,657	3,583	2,155
June - July 22 Summer	1,787	1,658	2,344	1,455
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,086</b>	<b>9,336</b>	<b>13,284</b>	<b>8,695</b>

Due to the low number of patients in the other category which is less than five for the period, the Trust is withholding the actual number under section 40 – Personal Information of the Freedom of Information Act due to likelihood of identification of the individual(s).

If the requestor or any other member of the general public can, on the balance of probabilities, identify individuals by cross-referencing the anonymised data with other information that was available to them, then the information is personal data and exempt from disclosure under the Act.