

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request Ref: NGFOI 19/20: 051B

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 21/05/2019.

How many A&E attendances were there where the primary reason for A&E attendance was a mental health crisis?

From 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016

From 1st January 2017 – 31st December 2017

From 1st January 2018 – 31st December 2018

From 1st January 2019 – 30th April 2019

The table below displays the number of A&E attendances with a presenting complaint of mental illness.

Year	Sum of number of attendances
01/01/2016 – 31/12/2016	1580
01/01/2017 – 31/12/2017	1684
01/01/2018 – 31/12/2018	3041
01/01/2019 – 30/04/2019	1087

If you hold this information, please provide the reason for A&E attendance (e.g. suicide attempt, self-harm, psychotic episode etc.)

The table below displays the primary diagnosis description for A&E attendances where there was a presenting complaint of Mental Illness.

*** In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Exemption section 40 (Personal Information) has been applied. Due to the low numbers involved we have withheld the exact numbers to protect the identities of individuals.**

While the Trust acknowledges that it is desirable to make information as freely available as possible the release of this information would be unfair to the individuals concerned and would contravene the rights of the individual under the Data Protection Act.

The information requested is therefore held exempt from disclosure under section 40 (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information Act.

Primary Diagnosis Description	2016	2017	2018	2019
CARDIAC CONDITIONS	5	*	6	0
CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM CONDITIONS (EXCLUDING STROKES)	5	16	13	9
CONFUSION/ABRASION	5	5	13	*
DERMATOLOGICAL CONDITIONS	0	*	*	*
DIABETES AND OTHER ENDOCRINOLOGICAL CONDITIONS	*	6	5	*
DIAGNOSIS NOT CLASSIFIABLE	153	113	173	85
DISLOCATION/FRACTURE/JOINT INJURY/AMPUTATION	0	*	*	*

ELECTRIC SHOCK	0	0	*	0
ENT CONDITIONS	*	*	*	0
FACIO-MAXILLARY CONDITIONS	0	0	0	*
FOREIGN BODY	*	0	6	*
GASTROINTESTINAL CONDITIONS	7	11	9	*
GYNAECOLOGICAL CONDITIONS	0	0	0	*
HAEMATOLOGICAL CONDITIONS	*	0	0	*
HEAD INJURY	0	5	*	*
INFECTIOUS DISEASE	0	*	*	8
LACERATION	13	23	59	8
LOCAL INFECTION	*	*	*	*
MUSCLE/TENDON	*	0	*	0
NOTHING ABNORMAL DETECTED	143	141	6	12
OTHER VASCULAR CONDITIONS	0	0	*	0
POISONING (INCLUDING OVERDOSE)	60	94	117	35
PSYCHIATRIC CONDITIONS	843	981	1404	472
RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS	*	6	*	0
SEPTICAEMIA	0	0	0	*
SOCIAL PROBLEM (INCLUDES CHRONIC ALCHOLISM AND HOMELESSNESS)	18	34	34	15
SOFT TISSUE INFLAMMATION	0	*	*	0
SPRAIN/LIGAMENT INJURY	*	*	*	*
UROLOGICAL CONDITIONS (INCLUDING CYSTITIS)	7	6	5	5
NO DESCRIPTION GIVEN	307	226	1168	420
<i>Grand Total</i>	1580	1684	3041	1087

Is it possible to break the Accident and Emergency Department budget down into budget for mental health services and mental health staff within A&E?

I can confirm on behalf of the Trust and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not collate the information that you have requested. Mental Health services for Northamptonshire are provided by Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHFT). Their website is: <https://www.nhft.nhs.uk/>