Maidstone and **NHS** Tunbridge Wells

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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to referrals to specific departments within the Trust.

1. Number of referrals to hospitals or secondary care provider in your trust

2. Number of referrals to cardiac departments or cardiologists within hospitals in your trust

3. Number of referrals to neurology departments or neurologists within hospitals in your trust

4. Number of referrals to paediatric departments or paediatricians within hospitals in your trust

5. Number of referrals for Tilt Table Tests or autonomic testing at hospitals within your trust

6. Number of referrals to CFS or CFS/ME services within your trust

7. Number of referrals to psychiatrists, psychologists or mental health services, including CAMHS, at hospitals or secondary care providers within your trust

8. Accident and Emergency visits at hospitals within your trust Please provide the information as follows:

- by year from 2000 to present
- for girls aged 12-19 at time of referral
- for boys aged 12-19 at time of referral

Please include in the data, all referrals to hospitals and services within your trust, from patients in area and out of area

Please include referrals from primary care e.g. from GPs and also from within secondary care e.g. from paediatrician to cardiologist etc.

Please note: The Trust has reliable referrals data going back to April 2011, and A&E data as far back as April 2009. Therefore this is the data provided.

1.								
	Apr-Dec 2011	2012	2013	2014	2015			
Total	134,089	186,438	188,773	192,237	201,858			
Boys 12-19	2,997	4,011	3,997	4,265	4,334			
Girls 12-19	2,648	3,689	3,809	4,294	4,610			

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	Apr-Dec 2011	2012	2013	2014	2015		
Total	5,633	8,115	7,746	8,225	8,817		
Boys 12-19	27	32	32	44	56		
Girls 12-19	28	37	40	35	49		

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	Apr-Dec 2011	2012	2013	2014	2015			
Total	2,069	2,892	3,296	3,676	3,848			
Boys 12-19	43	50	67	57	63			
Girls 12-19	64	72	78	103	109			

4.								
	Apr-Dec 2011	2012	2013	2014	2015			
Total	4,041	5,760	6,432	8,073	8,953			
Boys 12-19	279	407	404	599	659			
Girls 12-19	310	439	456	695	838			

5. The Trust do use tilt tables in Care Of Elderly. We do not code Out Patients and are unable to work out at sub-specialty level what the referral rate would be.

6. CFS (chronic fatigue syndrome)/ME – this could filter into a number of specialties, generally to rule out other symptoms – i.e. Rheum, Pain clinics or Neurology. The Trust does not collect sub-specialty referral information and cannot provide activity information.

7. This information is not held electronically and the Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.

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	Apr-Dec 2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
Total	90,654	120,412	121,989	123,526	131,161	131,211	132,449	
Boys 12-19	5,388	6,740	6,800	6,305	5,837	5,845	5,792	
Girls 12-19	4,206	5,520	5,547	5,497	5,337	5,439	5,468	

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