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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 Assault attendances to A&E 2019.

You asked:

We are conducting an annual national study of attendances to Emergency Departments for assault-related injury and would be grateful if your department could provide us with attendance data for 2019.

The data we require are as follows (for period 1st January 2019 and 31st December 2019) in an electronic format that allows us to read the data into a database.

- 1. We require the gender of the patient (M or F), the date that they attended due to assault (dd/mm/yyyy) and their age. Age can either be numerical to the nearest year (preferred) or in age bands ("0-10", "11-17", "18-30", "31-50", "51+"), we can also accept date of birth.*
- 2. To calculate the level of assault-related injury in England and Wales we also require the total number of attendances for any reason in the year of interest, i.e. 2019.*
- 3. Please also include the names of hospitals providing assault data.*

Trust response:

Please note that this data was taken from the Trust A&E system according to the 'Reason for attendance' field. The data quality of this field cannot be checked properly within the 18 hours timeframe and may not include all assault incidents.

For period 1st January 2019 and 31st December 2019:

**Maidstone General
Hospital**

	Age Range				
Gender	0 - 10	11 - 17	18 - 30	31 - 50	51+
Female	0	8	39	35	10
Male	0	22	101	96	39
Grand Total	0	30	140	131	49

The total number of A&E attendances 77,466

Tunbridge Wells Hospital

	Age Range				
Gender	0 - 10	11 - 17	18 - 30	31 - 50	51+
Female	0	20	42	38	17
Male	<5	16	125	96	38
Grand Total	<5	36	167	134	55

The total number of A&E attendances 90,065

Due to the very small numbers further more detailed information will not be released in order to protect patient confidentiality using the limitations available under Section 10 and Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 1998.