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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 Suicidality in Accident and Emergency.

You asked:

- 1. The number of patients that presented to Accident & Emergency/the Emergency Department due to feeling suicidal from 01/01/16 to 31/12/20. Data given separately for each calendar year 2016-2020.*
- 2. The number of patients from point 1 who were discharged home without being seen by psychiatry, and the number of patients from point 1 who were discharged home without being referred to another service. Data given separately for each calendar year 2016-2020.*
- 3. The number of patients from point 1 who committed suicide within 28 days of being discharged from A&E, for each year since 2016. Data given separately for each calendar year 2016-2020.*

Trust response:

1. The Trust A&E system does not have the diagnostic data to identify these patients. We are unable to answer this question.
2. These patients will be outbound referrals, which we do not have the data on. We are unable to answer this question.
3. We have no useful data on deaths outside the hospital. We are unable to answer this question.