



Reference: FOI3431

Request:

This is a freedom of information request that is seeking information and data from you regarding the emotional and mental health of your children in care (children that your local authority has parental responsibility for), who are aged up to 18 years old.

1. Between the 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020 what number of your children in care had an episode of self-harming, aligned to the NHS definition (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/self-harm/getting-help/>)?
2. Between the 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020 what number of your children in care attempted suicide?
3. Between the 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020 what number of your children in care committed suicide?
4. Between the 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020 what number of your children in care have been diagnosed with an attachment disorder?
5. Between the 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020 what number of your children in care have been diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder?
6. Does your local authority have a system in place to record, monitor and report on the emotional and mental health of all your children in care?

Response:

The requested data is not held separately and to provide it would require a manual search of 466 records. Therefore, the request is refused under s12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In assessing the cost of complying, the costs attributable to officer time involved in complying have been taken into account. Such costs are limited to £450.00 under the Regulations, which equates to eighteen hours of officer time.