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Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 26 January 2016, with regards to threshold criteria.

Request/**Response**

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please could you provide a copy of your threshold criteria for access to community (Tier 2) specialist community (Tier 3), and inpatient (Tier 4) (whichever is applicable) child and adolescent mental health services in your area, including any specific service thresholds for certain conditions such as eating disorders?

Please could you also answer the following brief survey:

What percentage of referrals to Camhs services have been refused in the last year for which figures are available and for each of the last ten years?

Please tick the reasons for refusal:

- Condition not serious enough to meet threshold for access to service.
- Duration of condition not long enough (please state if you have a specific time limit).
- Condition or situation not suitable for camhs service intervention (eg child does not have a diagnosable mental health condition).
- Service lacks capacity to support the patient at this time.
- Existence of co-morbidity which excludes support from your service (eg substance misuse).
- Young person above 18.
- Other (please state).

- Do you wish to make any further comments on the issue of referral to childrens mental health services?

We are unable to provide you with the information you have requested under section 1 (1)(a) of the FOI Act. This is because Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) does not hold the information you have requested. We would advise you to redirect your request to our provider service whose details are listed below:

***Alder Hey Children's Hospital:
Information Governance Coordinator
Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust
Eaton Road
Liverpool
L12 2AP.***

Alternatively, please email info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk

Tier 4 is commissioned by NHS England therefore can I recommend you forward your request to:

***NHS England
Customer Contact Centre
P.O. Box 16738
Redditch
B97 9PT***

Email: england.contactus@nhs.net

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

**Customer Relations Lead
NHS Liverpool CCG**