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Dear Vanessa Fillis,

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Ref: FOI/2021/SG10542

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which we received on 7th April 2021 regarding Housing Support. Please find below our response to your request:

REQUEST: I would like to request, under the freedom of information act, the following information for adult mental health services in Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust.

1. The number of nurses or support workers who support patients regarding their housing while they are inpatient in a mental health unit. These could be housing officers, housing support workers, special housing nurses, or similar professions that are specialised in housing support.
2. The protocol for discharging homeless patients or patients who face homelessness after their discharge. Please provide a document with the discharge policy or, if there is no document, please state what the protocol is.
3. The number of nurses or support workers who support mental health patients regarding their housing while they are in the community. These could be housing officers, housing support workers, special housing nurses, or similar professions that are specialised in housing support.

OUR RESPONSE:

1. Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust does not employ nursing or support workers in any of these specialist roles. Staff signpost patients to the relevant local authority housing team &/or voluntary sector providers.
2. Please refer to: <https://www.leicspart.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Inpatient-Discharge-Policy-exp-Jul-21.pdf> (see appendix 1).

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3. The Trust does not employ nursing or support workers in any of these specialist roles. Staff signpost patients to the relevant local authority housing team &/or voluntary sector providers.

I trust this response is helpful to you. However, if you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request and should be addressed to: *Mrs. Sam Kirkland, Head of Data Privacy/Data Protection Officer, Unit 2, Bridge Park Plaza, Thurmaston, Leicester LE4 8BL*

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If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any communications.

Yours sincerely



Hannah Plowright
Data Privacy Officer