

FOI REF: 25/317

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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

- 1) **Within your health board could you specify the name and location of each of your emergency departments, minor injury units, walk in centres and urgent treatment centres.**

I can confirm that we hold the information requested above. However, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain on the Trust's website and can be accessed by the following link:

<https://www.esht.nhs.uk/our-locations/>

This is an absolute exemption and there is, therefore, no requirement to consider the public interest.

**For each of your individual Emergency Departments, Walk in Centres, Minor Injury Units or Urgent Treatment centre could you please answer the following questions:**

- 2) **Which of the following options best describes the social prescribing provision in your Emergency Department, Walk-In-Centre, Minor Injuries Unit or Urgent Treatment Centre?**
- a. **We have an active social prescribing service**
  - b. **We previously had a social prescribing service, but it is not active currently**
  - c. **We are currently developing a social prescribing service**
  - d. **We have never had a social prescribing service** ✓

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If response option c or d are applicable for all of your sites, then we do not require any further information past this point.

3) What date did your social prescribing service start?

Not applicable.

4) What date did your social prescribing service end?

Not applicable.

5) Which of the following factors does/did your social prescribing service support with?

- i) Housing and homelessness.
- ii) Violence reduction.
- iii) Alcohol and drugs.
- iv) Social isolation and loneliness.
- v) Mental health.
- vi) Severe and multiple disadvantage.
- vii) High intensity/ high frequency service use.
- viii) Employment and training.
- ix) Youth specific interventions.
- x) Early years interventions.
- xi) Domestic abuse.
- xii) Independent living.
- xiii) Other – please could you tell us.

Not applicable.

6) How many patients are/were referred to your social prescribing service on average each month?

Not applicable.

7) How is/was your social prescribing service funded?

Not applicable.

8) How many social prescribers (Whole Time Equivalent) are employed in your emergency department?

Not applicable.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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