

FOI REF: 25/801

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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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 I request the most recent snapshot you hold (ide-date: 1 November 2025 or latest available day). Please give one number per question (or "not held" + sign-post). Excel / CSV ideal; plain text fine.

The figures provided in the responses to questions 1 - 4 (inclusive) were recorded on 12^{th} November 2025.

1. Complex physical healthcare packages How many adult Continuing Healthcare (CHC) or jointly-funded packages are currently live where the primary need is recorded as complex physical (not mental health / LDA)?

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2. >4-week allocation delays Of the packages in Q3, how many have waited >28 calendar days from "fully funded" date to "provider accepted & started care"?

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3. Bed-blocking / delayed discharge Latest daily average (or total bed-days last month) where the primary reason is "awaiting community care package" (acute + community beds).

17.

4. Patients stuck in hospital On the snapshot date, how many in-patients are medically fit ("No Criteria to Reside") but delayed solely because no community package is available?

7.

5. Tier 4 LDA waiting list (ICB only) Current total number of patients waiting for a Tier 4 LDA bed commissioned by your ICB (CAMHS + adult secure).

Please note that East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust does not provide a Mental Health Service. This service is provided by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust who are the Mental Health Trust for this area. Their Freedom of Information email address is:

spft.foi@nhs.net

6. Tier 4 enhanced staffing On the snapshot date, how many Tier 4 in-patients (any unit) require 2:1, 3:1 or 4:1+ staffing (exclude standard 1:1)?

Please see the response to question 5.

- 7. Procurement pipeline next 6 months Please attach (or paste) your anonymised re-procurement tracker:
 - o Package ref
 - o Postcode sector
 - o Weekly hours
 - o Current provider (or "spot")
 - o Expected tender month (Redact any personal data.)

Under FOIA Section 1 (1) (a) East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust would advise that it does not hold this information. For information about services commissioned by the Local Integrated Care Board (ICB), who are NHS Sussex Integrated Care Board, please contact them directly for a response to your request. Their contact details are as follows:

Email: sxicb.foi1@nhs.net.

8. Best contact Name, job title, email & phone of the commissioner who awards complex care packages in your ICB/Trust.

Please see the response to question 7.

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

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (eshtr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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