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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/014408 – Support for men with prostate cancer

In line with the Freedom of Information Act (2000) Tackle Prostate Cancer and The Red Sock Campaign (supported by Wicked Minds healthcare consultancy) would like to understand what specific psychological support is offered to men living with prostate cancer through your organisation. We would therefore be grateful if you could respond to the following questions:

- 1. How many prostate cancer patients (new and existing) were registered within your Trust/hospitals between 1st April 2017 31st March 2018? Number of patients diagnosed as recorded on the Trust's cancer database is 339 a. Of those how many were offered specialist psychological support services in the last 12 months (1st April 2017-31st March 2018)? all new patients who are diagnosed and existing patients if they appear not to be coping b. Of those how many were referred to specialist psychological support services in the last 12 months (1st April 2017-31st March 2018)? please see below
- 2. Do you offer psychological support services for families and or carers? (Yes or No) Yes
- a. If yes, how is this service offered? (e.g. everyone is proactively offered a referral as standard of care, or do families/carers request access to psychological support reactively) Everyone is proactively offered a referral as standard of care
- b. What proportion of families/carers were referred to psychological support services in the last 12 months (1st April 2017- 31st March 2018)? please see below

Question 1b) and 2b) - The Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the persons involved.

- 3. Do men have access to other psychological support services beyond active treatment (i.e. those that are under active surveillance and living beyond cancer)? Yes
- 4. Who provides other psychological support service for your prostate cancer patients? choose from below:
- a. NHS commissioned mental health service (funded by CCG/NHS England or Trust)
- b. National charitable organisation (e.g. Macmillan, Prostate Cancer UK) ?ü
- c. Local support group (volunteer-led) ü
- d. Hospice
- e. Other (please specify)