Dear

*Freedom of Information Request – DGS 180*

Thank you for your recent request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) on 18 January 2019. The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

1. **What is the average waiting time to receive any form of psychological therapies (e.g. one-one, group therapy) for those referred between January 1st 2018 and December 31st 2018?**

   NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) receives data consisting the aggregated patient numbers who enter psychological therapies but not waiting times for data for all psychological therapies (e.g. one-one, group therapy).

2. **What was the longest waiting time to receive any form of psychological therapies (e.g. one-one, group therapy) for those referred January 1st 2018 and December 31st 2018?**

   The CCG receives data consisting the aggregated patient numbers who enter psychological therapies but not waiting times for data for all psychological therapies (e.g. one-one, group therapy).

3. **What is the average waiting time to receive one-to-one psychological therapy for those referred between January 1st 2018 and December 31st 2018?**

   The CCG receives data consisting the aggregated patient numbers who enter psychological therapies, but not waiting times data of patients who receive one-to-one psychological therapy.
4. **What was the longest waiting time to receive one-to-one psychological therapy for those referred January 1st 2018 and December 31st 2018?**

The CCG receives data consisting the aggregated patient numbers who enter psychological therapies, but not waiting times data of patients who receive one-to-one psychological therapy.

5. **What is the average waiting time to have an appointment with community mental health team between January 1st 2018 and December 31st 2018?**

The CCG does not have access to complete data uploaded from Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust between the period 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 and we are therefore unable to provide the information.

6. **What was the longest waiting time to have an appointment with community mental health team between January 1st 2018 and December 31st 2018?**

The CCG does not have access to complete data uploaded from Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust between the period 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 and we are therefore unable to provide the information.

However, Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership may hold the information that you are requesting and if you have not already done so, you may like to contact them at

Email  kmpt.IG@nhs.net  
Telephone 01795 514528

We hope that this has dealt with your request for information however, should you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to request that we conduct an internal review of your request. If you would like us to conduct such a review please contact us within two months of this letter using the contact details below:

E-mail: **swccg.northkent.foi@nhs.net**

Post: FOI, NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group, 2nd Floor, Gravesham Civic Centre, Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1AU.

Your request for an internal review will then be processed in accordance with our Freedom of Information Policy, a copy of which can be found on our website:

[www.dartfordgraveshamswanleyccg.nhs.uk](http://www.dartfordgraveshamswanleyccg.nhs.uk)

If you are still dissatisfied following the internal review, you have the right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner provides full and detailed guidance on the Freedom of Information Act, and on when and how to complain.

Please find below the link to their website page and their helpline number.

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113

In line with the Information Commissioner’s directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. An anonymised version of our response will therefore be posted on our website.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.