NCC-044845-20 Smith-Magenis syndrome - EHC Plans

Dear Requester,

Further to your request for information under the freedom of information act. Unfortunately on this occasion we are unable to provide some of the details pertaining to the specified criteria. We do not record or hold the information in an easily accessible format.

We do record a number of disabilities against children who we support, but Smith-Magenis Syndrome isn't one of them, so we are afraid we cannot provide this information. The only way we could potentially identify some of these would be to manually review the case file of all children on an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan, but there are over 3,000 of these. In order to extract this information from the service users records would exceed the time threshold allowed under s.12 of the act. However in response to Q1.= Population estimates are available on our website here:

https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/business-community/economic-data/population-estimates

We trust this now resolves your enquiry, however should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

We suggest all requesters search under our publication scheme in advance of requesting information under the freedom of information act.

Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR, s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link) http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/

You can use the search facility using keywords. i.e. un regulated / care / home etc.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or email complaints@nottscc.gov.uk .

Kind Regards

Complaints and Information Team

Nottinghamshire County Council

County Hall

Dear local authority,

Smith-Magenis Syndrome (SMS) Foundation UK started a project that aims to develop a profile of the diagnosed population with Smith-Magenis syndrome and identify geographical areas for support services and activities. This project will help people and families by creating information and guidance appropriate for newly diagnosed families relevant to the age when diagnosed. If you wish for additional information about the foundation, please do not hesitate to contact Nigel Over (contact information can be found below).

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am requesting information for the Smith-Magenis Syndrome Foundation.

Please provide me:

1. The total population number covered by your local authority.
2. The total number of individuals known to your local authority that are diagnosed with Smith-Magenis syndrome. These individuals should be known to you because they are in receipt of support for education or social care needs.
3. The year of birth of all the individuals diagnosed with Smith-Magenis syndrome.

Pease provide the information in the form of a spreadsheet and send it via email to Xheni Prebibaj. If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me (Xheni Prebibaj) as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

If the release of any of this information is prohibited on the grounds of breach of confidence, I ask that you supply me with copies of the confidentiality agreement and remind you that information should not be treated as confidential if such an agreement has not been signed.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,