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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Section 136 of the Mental Health Act.

You asked:

- 1. How many patients presenting to the Emergency Department were detained under section 136 of the Mental Health Act each month from January 2018 to December 2020?*
- 2. What was the average length of stay in the Emergency Department for those patients who were detained under section 136 of the Mental Health Act in:*
 - a. 2018;*
 - b. 2019;*
 - c. 2020?*
- 3. How many patients detained under section 136 at the time of presenting to the Emergency Department were transferred to a psychiatric hospital each month from January 2018 to December 2020?*
- 4. How many patients detained under section 136 at the time of presenting to the Emergency Department were discharged home (rather than to another hospital) each month from January 2018 to December 2020?*

Trust response:

This information is not held by the Trust. You need to contact Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust (kmpt) directly (kmpt.infoaccess@nhs.net). KMPT have however reviewed the request and can confirm they would not be able to provide the requested information as they would need to review individual records and is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act.