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Freedom of Information request 191-19

Request

- 1. Of those patients who experienced delayed discharge and were discharged in 2018-19, how many were delayed due to health and social care reasons for (a) 1-3 months, (b) 3-6 months (c) 6-9 months, (d) 9-12 months, (e) 12-18 months, (f) 18-24 months, and (g) over 24 months?
- 2. What was the longest any patient discharged in 2018-19 was delayed due to a delayed discharge based on health and social care reasons? What proportion of this delay was attributed to each of (a) assessment, (b) funding, (c) place availability, (d) care arrangements and (e) transport?
- 3. Of those patients currently experiencing delayed discharge due to health and social care reasons, how many have been delayed for (a) 1-3 months, (b) 3-6 months (c) 6-9 months, (d) 9-12 months, (e) 12-18 months, (f) 18-24 months, and (g) over 24 months.
- 4. What is the longest any patient currently experiencing delayed discharge due to health and social care reasons has been delayed. What proportion of this delay is attributable to each of (a) assessment, (b) funding, (c) place availability, (d) care arrangements and (e) transport?

Response

1. Please find below the number of patients who experienced delayed discharge and were discharged in 2018-19 due to health and social care reasons:

				10-	13-	19-	over	
	1-3	4-6	7-9	12	18	24	24	Grand
Reason for Delay	months	mths	mths	mths	mths	mths	mths	Total
Assessment	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Funding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Place Availability	170	1	2	4	0	1	0	178
Care Arrangements	214	0	0	0	0	0	0	214
Transport	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	62	5	1	0	0	0	0	68
Unknown	150	0	1	0	0	0	0	151
Total	636	6	4	4	0	1	0	651

- The longest wait was 680 days in 2018-19, this was due to a very complex case. NHS Borders are unable to breakdown the delay attributes into proportions as this is not recorded, therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this cannot be provided.
- 3. Please find below the number of patients currently experiencing delayed discharge due to health and social care reasons:

Reason for Delay	1-3 months	4-6 mths	7-9 mths	10- 12 mths	13- 18 mths	19- 24 mths	over 24 mths	Grand Total
Assessment	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Funding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Place Availability	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	8
Care Arrangements	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	12

Transport	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	4	1	0	1	0	0	1	7
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	27	2	0	1	0	0	1	31

 The longest current wait is 1373 days, this is a very complex case. NHS Borders are unable to breakdown the delay attributes into proportions as this is not recorded, therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this cannot be provided.

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