Reference: FOI1221



Request:

How many referrals have been made to your local authority's social services mentioning concerns about fabricated or induced illness (FII) in a child for the financial years 2014-2015 and 2018-2019?

Response:

This information is not recorded in an extractable format. In order to respond to this request, it would require a manual check of 7,942 individual records which would exceed the appropriate limit. Therefore the request is refused under s12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In assessing the cost of complying, the costs attributable to officer time involved in complying have been taken into account. Such costs are limited to £450.00 under the Regulations, which equates to eighteen hours of officer time.

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