

## PUBLISHED INFORMATION REQUEST

Reference: 10754

Description: Register of Deaths due to withdrawal of CANH

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### Response

*In your Trust is there any formal register kept of deaths occurring as a result of withdrawal of Clinically Artificial Nutrition and Hydration (CANH) that occur under the provisions of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and BMA/RCP/GMC Guidelines 2018?*

*If such a register is kept can you advise if there is any independent internal or external audit made of such deaths and the degree to which there is compliance with the BMA/RCP/GMC Guidelines, 2018 when such deaths occur?*

*Where deaths due to withdrawal of CANH are recorded and an audit is made of these, can you give an indication of the number such deaths in 2018 and in 2019 and the percentage of cases where the BMA/RCP/GMC Guideline Checklist has been used and fully completed?*

**The Trust is not aware of any such register being in place.**

**Please note, Mental health provision is provided by the following Trusts:**

**North Cumbria – Northumberland, Tyne and Wear Foundation Trust (NTW)**

**South Cumbria – Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust**