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Thank you for your request for information relating to social care and education as outlined below with our responses:

1. How many children have been removed for protection from parents each year based on poor mental health with and without a diagnosis. From 2001 to current date.

We hold the information which you have asked for but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

The information is not held in an existing report and therefore in order to answer your request, we would need to perform a manual trawl of every case note for this time period. We have estimated there are likely to be more than 4,000 cases covering 20 years and therefore this will take more than 18 hours to answer. This part of your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

2. How many children/adults needing an EHCP had their original statements redirected and were not received in time to appeal against your decisions? From 2006 to current date year on year.

Statements of SEN were replaced by Education Health and Care Plans under Part 3 of the Children and Families Act 2014, which was enacted on the 1st September 2015. The

statute required LAs to complete the process of transferring Statements of SEN to EHC Plans by the deadline of 1st April 2018. That means that Statements of SEN ceased to exist in law from 1st April 2018, which was over 3 years ago. Coventry met this deadline by following due process.

In terms of your specific request, the term 'redirected' in this context is not a term we are familiar with, we are therefore unable to respond to your question other than to confirm that Coventry transferred all Statements of SEN to EHC Plans and included a right of appeal in each case. We therefore confirm that no young person was denied a right of appeal to the SEN and Disability Tribunal throughout the three year period 1st September 2015 to 31st March 2018.

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If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: infogov@coventry.gov.uk

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our review, you can write to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email icocasework@ico.org.uk.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours sincerely

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