

**Mental Health Review Tribunal / Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust
Ethnicity Monitoring Pilot**

1. Background

This Pilot was borne out of the MHRT Improvement Pilot (in which this Organisation played a major part). The Department of Health and the MHRT were made aware, as a result of that pilot, that ethnic monitoring was not being undertaken.

The Mental Health Act Office already monitor the ethnicity of detained patients and as those responsible for the original pilot were aware of this fact, it was suggested to the Department of Health that we should be approached to take part in a further process working with the Mental Health Review Tribunal office looking at how this data could be collected. This ran from November 2006 to April 2007 and we were successful in securing funding from the Department of Health to enable this to happen.

2. The Pilot Process (Methodology)

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust already has in place a process for monitoring the ethnicity of patients. The intention of the Pilot was to look at LPT's method of recording, compare with statistics from the MHRT office for the same period and then develop a process to be used nationally.

The monthly calibration of statistics was agreed.

LPT's monitoring process looks at the following data in addition to the ethnicity of the patient. The method of recording being an excel spreadsheet:

- Gender
- Age
- Type of MHRT hearing i.e. appeal/referral
- Hearing held/not held/to be confirmed (at end of pilot)
- Outcome, i.e. discharged/not discharged
- Hearing adjourned/postponed/patient informal/patient withdrawn

The excel spreadsheet enables the collation of statistical reports.

3. Preliminary Conclusions

It proved difficult to obtain comparative statistics from the MHRT office following the pilot; these preliminary conclusions are, therefore, being made using the Leicestershire Partnership data.

3.1 Overall Statistics:

During the pilot period there were a total of 71 applications made to the MHRT office by LPT, 35 of these were male and 36 female.

65 of the applications were appeals and 6 were referrals. Only sections 2, 3 and 25 were used and they were broken down as 29, 41 and 1 respectively.

Of the 71 applications 41 hearings were held, 29 were cancelled and 1 is still outstanding.

Of the 41 hearings held 35 patients remained subject to detention and the Tribunal discharged 6. Of the 29 cancelled, 21 of these were due to the patient being made informal prior to the hearing-taking place and in the remaining 8 cases the patient withdrew.

6 cases were adjourned and 2 postponed.

3.1.1 BME Statistics

Attached to this document at appendix 1 is a table showing different BME information in both figures and percentages. The table is divided into three separate sections, as follows:

- 1: Leicestershire County and Leicester City population totals showing BME breakdown. This is taken from the 2001 Census.
- 2: MHRT total applications for the pilot period, by gender, by number held and by number of discharges by the MHRT.
- 3: Total number of detentions recorded by Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust in 2006/07. These figures include all sections of the MHA by gender as a percentage of the overall total and then by gender total. N.b. these figures reflect, as near possible, the city/county split.

3.2 Statistical Findings

The table attached at Appendix 1 demonstrates a number of key statistical findings, namely that:

- Black or Black British appears overrepresented in terms of numbers of patients detained and total applications to the MHRT when compared to the total population of Leicester City & County:

% OF TOTAL POPULATION LEICESTER CITY & COUNTY	% OF TOTAL DETAINED LPT 2006/07	% OF TOTAL MHRT APPLICATIONS
1.2%	9.6%	18.3%
(80.7% CITY) (19.3% COUNTY)	(5.3% MALE) (4.3% FEMALE)	(7% MALE) (11.3% FEMALE)

- There also appears to be an overrepresentation of Asian or Asian British, however this does not appear to be such a marked difference, although interestingly each statistics shows a higher female percentage than male.

All applications to the MHRT were identified as Asian or Asian British - Indian; although LPT statistics show detentions identified as all four of the Asian or Asian British sub categories, although Indian held the highest majority.

% OF TOTAL POPULATION LEICESTER CITY & COUNTY	% OF TOTAL DETAINED LPT 2006/07	% OF TOTAL MHRT APPLICATIONS
11.5% (78.7% CITY) (21.3% COUNTY)	14.3% (5.8% MALE) (8.5% FEMALE)	8.5% (2.8% MALE) (5.7% FEMALE)

- The statistics for White were influenced by the overrepresentation shown above, i.e. the total population for Leicester City and County was 85.5%, with a detention rate of 68.9%, no significant results were found for the Mixed category (1.2% and 0.7% respectively).
- Statistics for MHRT held and % of those held that resulted in Discharge are felt to be too small for any conclusions to be drawn.

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APPENDIX 1

Mental Health Review Tribunal Ethnicity Monitoring Pilot - Nov - April 2007

	TOTALS	WHITE			MIXED				ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH				BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH			OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS	
		BRITISH	IRISH	ANY OTHER WHITE BACKGROUND	WHITE & BLACK CARIBBEAN	WHITE & BLACK AFRICAN	WHITE & ASIAN	ANY OTHER MIXED BACKGROUND	INDIAN	PAKISTANI	BANGLADESHI	ANY OTHER ASIAN BACKGROUND	CARIBBEAN	AFRICAN	ANY OTHER BLACK BACKGROUND	CHINESE	ANY OTHER ETHNIC GROUP (INCL. NOT STATED)
1																	
COUNTY POPULATION*	644142	598490	4346	8446	1681	352	1771	988	18583	946	1389	1725	1189	685	184	2308	1059
		92.9%	0.7%	1.3%	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	2.9%	0.1%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%
CITY POPULATION*	280000	169456	3602	5681	2841	539	1908	1218	72033	4276	1926	5516	4610	3432	553	1426	904
		60.5%	1.3%	2.0%	1.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.4%	25.7%	1.5%	0.7%	2.0%	1.6%	1.2%	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%
TOTAL POPULATION*	924142	767948	7948	14127	4522	891	3679	2206	90616	5222	3315	7241	5799	4117	737	3734	1963
		83.1%	0.9%	1.5%	0.5%	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	9.8%	0.6%	0.4%	0.8%	0.6%	0.4%	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%
		85.5%			1.2%				11.5%				1.2%			0.6%	
2																	
MHRT APPLICATIONS**	71	42	0	2	1	2	1	0	6	0	0	0	8	5	0	0	4
		59.2%		2.8%	1.4%	2.8%	1.4%		8.5%				11.3%	7.0%			5.6%
GENDER:MALE	35	20		2	1	2			2				2	3			3
% of total applications		28.2%		2.8%	1.4%	2.8%			2.8%				2.8%	4.2%			4.2%
GENDER:FEMALE	36	22					1		4				6	2			1
% of total applications		31.0%					1.4%		5.6%				8.5%	2.8%			1.4%
MHRT HELD	41	24		1	1	1			4				6	3			1
% of those held		58.5%		2.4%	2.4%	2.4%			9.8%				14.6%	7.3%			2.4%
% overall applications		33.8%		1.4%	1.4%	1.4%			5.6%				8.5%	4.2%			1.4%
Discharged	6	2		1	1				1				1				
% of total discharged		4.9%		2.4%	2.4%				2.4%				2.4%				
3																	
COUNTY	413	313	2	9	1	2		3	17	3	4	7	17	7			28
		75.8%	0.5%	2.2%	0.2%	0.5%		0.7%	4.1%	0.7%	1.0%	1.7%	4.1%	1.7%			6.8%
CITY	413	235	1	9	0	0		0	74	6	1	6	36	19			26
		56.9%	0.2%	2.2%					17.9%	1.5%	0.2%	1.5%	8.7%	4.6%			6.3%
TOTAL DETAINED***	826	548	3	18	1	2	0	3	91	9	5	13	53	26	0	0	54
% ETHNICITY		66.3%	0.4%	2.2%	0.1%	0.2%		0.4%	11.0%	1.1%	0.6%	1.6%	6.4%	3.1%			6.5%
		68.9%			0.7%				14.3%				9.6%			6.5%	

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% total overall - male	32.4%	0.2%	1.3%	0.1%	0.2%		0.4%	4.0%	0.8%	0.5%	0.5%	3.4%	1.8%			3.0%
% total overall - female	33.9%	0.1%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%	7.0%	0.2%	0.1%	1.1%	3.0%	1.3%			3.5%
GENDER - MALE	403	268	2	11	1	2	3	33	7	4	4	28	15			25
% of total male	48.8%	66.5%	0.5%	2.7%	0.2%	0.5%	0.7%	8.2%	1.7%	1.0%	1.0%	6.9%	3.7%			6.2%
GENDER - FEMALE	423	280	1	7	0	0	0	58	2	1	9	25	11			29
% of total female	51.2%	66.2%	0.2%	1.7%				13.7%	0.5%	0.2%	2.1%	5.9%	2.6%			6.9%

* - Source - 2001 Census (www.statistics.gov.uk)

** - Source - MHRT Ethnicity Recording Pilot LPT statistics

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