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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 15 November 2016. You made the following requests for information:

1. The number and gender of CAF/CASS family court advisers.

There are currently 1222 Family Court Advisers (FCAs) at Cafcass. There are 1012 female FCAs and 210 male FCAs.

2. The number and gender of all CAF/CASS employees.

There are currently 1692 employees at Cafcass. There are 1374 female employees and 318 male employees.

3. Do officers have set targets to meet and if so what are they?

Cafcass FCAs do not have specific set targets. When an order is received from the court, the manager in the relevant team will allocate the case to a practitioner. Allocation takes into account the resources available within the team, and the decision is based on who is best able to take on the case at that time. FCAs are also required to comply with timescales for filing reports which are imposed by the court.

Cafcass is required to meet our Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) which are set by our sponsor department in order to monitor the performance of the organisation. Our current KPIs and our performance against them are outlined in our 2016-16 Annual Report and Accounts: https://www.cafcass.gov.uk/media/285726/cafcass_2015-16_annual_report_and_accounts.pdf

4. What percentage of parental interviews occur where the mother is interviewed first?

Cafcass does not record this information.

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We hope that you feel your question has been answered effectively. If you are unhappy with the decisions made in relation to your request, you may ask for an internal review to be undertaken. If you are dissatisfied with the way the internal review is handled or with the final decision made at that review about the information released, you are free to contact the Information Commissioner's Office (<https://ico.org.uk/>):

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Yours sincerely,

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