

EXTERNAL CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED CESSATION OF THE UK ARMED FORCES MENTAL HEALTH MID-YEAR REPORT AND PRODUCTION OF EPISODE TABLES IN THE UK ARMED FORCES MENTAL HEALTH ANNUAL SUMMARY

Detail of Outcome

Defence Statistics (Health) opened a consultation with internal and external stakeholders on 15 June 2017, regarding the proposed cessation of the “UK Armed Forces Mental Health Mid-Year” Official Statistic Bulletin and the proposed cessation of the production of Episode Tables in the UK Armed Forces Mental Health Annual Official Statistic:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/mod-national-and-official-statistics-by-topic>

The consultation period ended on 27 July 2017. Defence Statistics received one response, which requested consideration be given to the timing of the release of the Annual UK Armed Forces Mental Health rate in order to assist NHS England in early Autumn each year. The release of the UK Armed Forces Mental Health Annual Official Statistic in mid-June will provide this information; therefore the cessation of the UK Armed Forces Mental Health Mid-Year Official Statistic Bulletin in December each year will not affect this.

Taking into account:

- a. Internal and external feedback
- b. The resource burden involved in producing the report and tables
- c. The availability of information from the UK Armed Forces Mental Health Annual Official Statistic

It has been decided that publication of the “UK Armed Forces Mental Health Mid-Year” Official Statistic Bulletin and production of Episode Tables in the UK Armed Forces Mental Health Annual Official Statistic will cease as proposed. The planned release of the mid-year report (December 2017) and further editions will no longer be produced.

The planned publication of the Episodes tables in the UK Armed Forces Mental Health Annual Official Statistic (June 2018) will cease and no longer be produced as part of this report.