



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-341

Date: 12th September 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 22nd August 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding ADHD and ASD services

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am writing to request information regarding autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (AHD) services.

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

1. Does your organisation commission or provide (please specify) referral, diagnosis or treatment services for the following?

- a. ASD in children**
- b. ASD in adults**
- c. ADHD in children**
- d. ADHD in adults**

2. Please provide an overview of the current digital and physical care pathways, from referral for assessment to diagnosis and long-term treatment, for each of the following.

- a. ASD in children**
- b. ASD in adults**
- c. ADHD in children**
- d. ADHD in adults**

3. Please provide each of the following, for each of the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24, split by ASD in Children, ASD in adults, ADHD in children and ADHD in adults.

- a. Number of:**
 - i. People referred for diagnosis assessment**
 - ii. People screened/triaged and subsequently not assessed**
 - iii. Diagnosis assessments completed**
 - iv. People subsequently diagnosed with the relevant condition**
- b. Average (mean) waiting time from referral to assessment (in weeks)**

4. What was the total expenditure by your organisation on mental health services, for each of the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24?
5. Please provide each of the following expenditures by your organisation, for each of the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24, split by ASD in Children, ASD in adults, ADHD in children and ADHD in adults.
 - a. Total expenditure
 - b. Split of expenditure by:
 - i. Screening/triage of referrals
 - ii. Diagnosis assessments
 - iii. Post-diagnosis treatment (including medication)
 - iv. Post-diagnosis follow-up
 - v. Other expenditures (please specify)
6. For all providers used since 2021/22 for the provision of ASD in Children, ASD in adults, ADHD in children or ADHD in adults services, please provide the following information:
 - a. Name of provider
 - b. NHS or independent provider
 - c. Categories of patients served (children ASD, adult ASD, children ADHD, adult ADHD)
 - d. Services provided for your organisation (e.g. screening/triage, diagnostic assessment, treatment, long-term follow-up)
 - e. Total expenditure by your organisation on their services for each of the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24
 - f. Number of people accessing their services commissioned by your organisation for each of the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24

Please fill out your responses in the attached Excel spreadsheet and return the completed file via email reply.

A1 Refer to the attached spreadsheet that you supplied

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

Yours,



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