



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-681

Date: 13th February 2024

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Dear

UHNM has received several requests that are asking for similar information that are from the same person/company, therefore we are contacting you to inform you that under section 12 of the FOI Act we were aggregating these requests on CAMHS and staffing

Your new reference number for **BOTH is 681-2324**

The section 12 exemption states:

The authority can combine related requests received within a period of 60 consecutive days from:

- The same person or
- People who appear to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign.

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.

Request #1

Q1 I am reaching out under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information regarding waiting lists for specific assessments and therapies. The requested period is the most current available or the most recent position.

1. Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Assessment:

- **What is the current number of people waiting for a CAMHS assessment?**
- **What is your average waiting time for CAMHS treatment?**
- **Who is the person responsible for managing these waiting lists?**
- **Has University Hospitals of North Midlands used independent providers to carry out work on the waiting list?**

A1 UHNM is not a mental health Trust therefore question is not applicable – Combined Health Care may be able to answer this question.

Q2 Neurodevelopment Assessment:

- What is the average waiting time for a Neurodevelopmental assessment for children and adults?
- What is the current number of children and adults waiting for a Neurodevelopmental assessment?
- Who is the person responsible for managing this waiting list?
- Has University Hospitals of North Midlands used independent providers to carry out work on the waiting list?

A2 UHNM does not offer this service

Q3 Psychological Therapies:

- What is the average waiting time for psychological therapies?
- What is the current number of adults awaiting psychological therapy?
- Who is the person responsible for managing this waiting list?
- Has University Hospitals of North Midlands used independent providers to carry out work on the waiting list?

A3 UHNM does not offer this service, Combined Health Care may be able to answer this question.

Request #2

Q1 Please provide the total expenditure allocated to UK and international permanent recruitment services during the specified period. For the convenience of data processing, we kindly request that you use the following template when providing the requested information:

| | Total agency spend for UK permanent recruitment - Jan 23 - December 23 | Total agency spend for international permanent recruitment - Jan 23 - December 23 | Providers used (names) | Percentage of total workforce spend (UK perm) | Percentage of total workforce spend (international perm) |
|---------|--|---|------------------------|---|--|
| Medical | | | | | |
| Nursing | | | | | |
| AHP | | | | | |

If University Hospitals of North Midlands did not incur any expenditure in a particular category, kindly mark it as "N/A."

A1 We don't provide any of the above services, therefore N/A to all

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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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