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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

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

Response

We are unable to provide the information you have requested, as this requires a separation into ASD and ADHD, which we do not hold in a reportable format.

As per ICO guidance "FOIA only applies to information that a public authority already holds in recorded form at the time of a request. If you don't hold a particular piece of information that someone has asked for, you don't have to create it."

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team
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