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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

Please provide the following information you have pertaining to ADHD and Autism assessments and post-diagnostic services within your Trust / Health Board.

1. Please provide your total annual spend and total number of patients (for each of the last three financial years) on ADHD and Autism assessments, broken down by age categories as listed below.

Please note that East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust does not provide this service. This service is provided by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust. Their Freedom of Information email address is:

spft.foi@nhs.net

2. For Apr-24-Mar-25, please split out the total number of patients/annual spend from question 1 by those delivered in-house vs those delivered by third party private providers* (for Apr-24-Mar-25). Please use one row for each third party private provider and please also include the pathway / contract type for each third-party private provider (e.g. block contract, right to choose):

Please refer to question 1 above.

3. For Apr-24-Mar-25, please provide your total annual spend on the following post-diagnostic services. Please find definitions for post-diagnostic services at the end of the request. Please include volumes where your Trust / Health Board has commissioned third party provider(s) to deliver the service.

Please refer to question 1.

4. What is the FTE of employed clinicians in the Trust / Health Board who can conduct ADHD / Autism assessments, or prescribe ADHD medications? If possible, please split by role type. Please provide answers based on FTE (rather than headcount). Please exclude vacancies.

Please refer to question 1.

5. Please provide the current number of patients, that are currently waiting for an ADHD or Autism assessment at your Trust / Health Board. Please also provide the average (mean) time spent on the wait list before receiving an assessment at your Trust / Health Board. Please include the date which your figures are based on.

Please refer to question 1.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (<u>esh-tr.foi@nhs.net</u>), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours sincerely

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