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> > Our Ref: FOI/04695

Thank you for your request concerning waiting times for adult ADHD assessments.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

- 1. The number of undiagnosed adults currently on the waiting list for an ADHD assessment on the NHS.
- 1a. Please can you also provide the same information for each of the past five years, if doing so won't push this request over the cost limit

Number of undiagnosed adults currently waiting for an ADHD assessment							
2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		
0	9	21	103	209	465		

2. The current average wait time for an undiagnosed adult to see a psychiatrist for ADHD after being referred from a GP on the NHS.

Average wait time (days) for an undiagnosed adult to see a psychiatrist for ADHD after being referred from						
2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
0	21	21	28	54	48	

2a. The longest waiting time for an adult currently on the list

212 days

2b. Please can you also provide the average wait time for each of the past five years, if doing so won't push this request over the cost limit.

Please see the data provided under question 2.





- 3. How many adult assessments were done in the past year. Please provide the total and (if available) a breakdown by gender.
- 3a. Please can you also provide this same information for each of the prior five years, if doing so won't push this request over the cost limit.

Gender	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
FEMALE	0	44	115	241	494	444
MALE	0	75	134	251	416	310
NON-BINARY	0	0	0	5 or less	0	0
NOT KNOWN	0	0	0	5 or less	0	0
NOT SPECIFIED	0	0	0	0	5 or less	0
TRANS MAN	0	5 or less	0	0	5 or less	5 or less
TRANS WOMAN	0	0	0	0	0	5 or less

Due to the small numbers of the gender of some adults being assessed we have applied Exemption Section 40(2). This is because entries of 5 or less are considered sufficiently small enough to be potentially identifiable data. On this basis, this information is exempt from the duty to publish.

- 4. The current average waiting time for an adult between ADHD diagnosis and starting treatment on the NHS. Please provide the total and (if available) a breakdown by type of treatment (medication or behavioural therapy)
- 4a. The longest waiting time between diagnosis and treatment for an adult currently on the list.
- 4b. Please can you also provide the average wait time for each of the past five years, if doing so won't push this request over the cost limit.

We are unable to provide this information because the date of diagnosis is not always recorded on our Electronic Patient Record.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

Sue Smith Information Rights Officer

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click here.

