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Dear Henry Shelford,

Reference: FOI.23.NEL018

28 April 2023

Re: Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request under the *Freedom of Information Act 2000* made to NHS North East London (NEL) Intergrated Care Board (ICB). Your request along with the ICB's response is detailed below.

QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON ADULT ADHD SERVICES

1. For your financial years 2022-23 and 2021-22 please can you tell us:
For each of those years how many adult assessments for ADHD were done?
 - a. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.For each of those years what was the average waiting time (in weeks) for adults who had an assessment for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder).
 - b. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.For each of those years how many adult ADHD referrals were rejected prior to the individual receiving an assessment?
 - c. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.For each of those years how many adults were waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of the year.
 - d. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON CHILD ADHD SERVICES

2. For your financial years 2022-23 and 2021-22 please can you tell us:
For each of those years how many child assessments for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) were done?
 - a. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.For each of those years what was the average waiting time (in weeks) for children who had an assessment for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder).
 - b. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.For each of those years how many child ADHD referrals were rejected prior to assessment?

- c. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.
For each of those years how many children were waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of the year.
- d. If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

GENERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION AND ITS ADHD SERVICES

3. With relation to the present time (reflecting the most recent data that you have). Please can you answer the following questions:

With regards to your adult ADHD services.

- a. Do you currently have a commissioned adult ADHD assessment service?
- b. How many adults do you have waiting for an adult ADHD assessment?
- c. What is your current expected waiting time (in weeks) for an adult ADHD Assessment?
- d. What is your current longest waiting time for an adult ADHD Assessment?
- e. What is your process for reviewing and deciding whether to accept or reject adults who have been referred for an ADHD assessment.
- f. Is your organisation confident that it is satisfying the NICE guidelines for adults with ADHD?

With regards to your child ADHD services

- g. Do you currently have a commissioned child ADHD Assessment service?
- h. How many children do you have waiting for a child ADHD assessment?
- i. What is your current expected waiting time (in weeks) for a child ADHD Assessment?
- j. What is your current longest waiting time for a child ADHD Assessment?
- k. What is your process for reviewing and deciding whether to accept or reject children who have been referred for an ADHD assessment.
- l. Is your organisation confident that it is satisfying the NICE guidelines for children with ADHD?

Information on your financial year.

- m. What are the dates of your financial year 2022-23.
- n. What are the dates of your financial year 2021-22.

NHS North East London ICB does not hold this information or report on this level of detailed requested. You may wish to resubmit your request to the Hospital Trusts, who may hold this information:

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Wilmslow, Cheshire,
SK9 5AF
Website: www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

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