

## FOI 160423-1 Request Details

**Received Date: 16 April 2023**  
**Subject: ADHD Services**  
**Our Ref: 160423-1**  
**Your Ref: Freedom of Information Request**

## NHS Trust Response

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request.

We have completed our search for information and the details are as follows:

### QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON ADULT ADHD SERVICES

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

### ANSWER

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD services are provided by the Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

**QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON CHILD ADHD SERVICES**

2. For your financial years 2022-23 and 2021-22 please can you tell us:
- a. For each of those years how many child assessments for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) were done?

**ANSWER**

During the year 2022-23 there were 226 ADHD assessments carried out. We do not hold information for 2021-22.

- i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

**ANSWER**

We do not have this data available, the Trust does not identify gender in this data collection

- b. 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).

**ANSWER**

The average wait time during 2022-23 was 22 weeks. We do not hold information relating to 2021-22.

- i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

**ANSWER**

We do not have this data available, the Trust does not identify gender in this data collection

- c. For each of those years how many child ADHD referrals were rejected prior to assessment?

**ANSWER**

We do not collate this information.

- i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

**ANSWER**

We do not collate this information, the Trust does not identify gender in this data collection

- d. For each of those years how many children were waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of the year.

**ANSWER**

We do not have the data for 2021-22, for the year 2022-23 there were 319 children waiting at the end of the year.

- i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

**ANSWER**

We do not have the data available, the Trust does not identify gender in this data collection

**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:

- a. With regards to your adult ADHD services.  
i.Do you currently have a commissioned adult ADHD assessment service?

**ANSWER**

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD Service is provided by Black Country Partnership NHS Trust.

- ii.How many adults do you have waiting for an adult ADHD assessment?

**ANSWER**

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD Service is provided by Black Country Partnership NHS Trust.

- iii.What is your current expected waiting time (in weeks) for an adult ADHD Assessment?

**ANSWER**

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD Service is provided by Black Country Partnership NHS Trust.

- iv.What is your current longest waiting time for an adult ADHD Assessment?

**ANSWER**

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD Service is provided by Black Country Partnership NHS Trust.

v. What is your process for reviewing and deciding whether to accept or reject adults who have been referred for an ADHD assessment.

**ANSWER**

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD Service is provided by Black Country Partnership NHS Trust.

vi. Is your organisation confident that it is satisfying the NICE guidelines for adults with ADHD?

**ANSWER**

We do not hold this information. Adult ADHD Service is provided by Black Country Partnership NHS Trust.

- b. With regards to your child ADHD services  
i. Do you currently have a commissioned child ADHD Assessment service?

**ANSWER**

Yes, this is part of our block community contract.

ii. How many children do you have waiting for a child ADHD assessment?

**ANSWER**

As of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, we currently had 319 awaiting an assessment

- iii. What is your current expected waiting time (in weeks) for a child ADHD Assessment?

**ANSWER**

50 weeks

iv. What is your current longest waiting time for a child ADHD Assessment?

**ANSWER**

46 weeks

v. What is your process for reviewing and deciding whether to accept or reject children who have been referred for an ADHD assessment.

**ANSWER**

Triage of Referrals by the medical team.

vi. Is your organisation confident that it is satisfying the NICE guidelines for children with ADHD?

**ANSWER**

No

c. Information on your financial year.

i. What are the dates of your financial year 2022-23.

**ANSWER**

1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

i. What are the dates of your financial year 2021-22.

**ANSWER**

1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

**NOTE**

To contact Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust please see link below.

<https://www.blackcountryhealthcare.nhs.uk/contact-us>

The full Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available on the legislation website via the following link: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/contents> The Trust is regarding this response as a full and complete discharge of its responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to this request. I trust it fulfils your requirements but should you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me and I will attempt to resolve your issues.

If you have any queries I would be grateful if you would contact me so that we can discuss the issues. Details of the complaints procedure will be sent to you should you wish to see them. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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