



## **Cais Rhyddid Gwybodaeth / Freedom of Information request Ein Cyf / Our Ref: 25-D-049**

### **You asked:**

**1. Does your Health board commission Adult ADHD assessments?**

No.

**2. If yes, please list the organisation/s in receipt of commission from you alongside the contract value for the last public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2025- 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026)**

Not applicable.

**3. Does your organisation commission Child ADHD assessments?**

Yes

**4. If yes, please list the organisation/s in receipt of commission from you alongside the contract value for the last public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2025- 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026)**

This information is withheld.

Section 43 of the Act sets out an exemption for the right to know if release of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (a person may be an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity). Section 43 is a qualified exemption. That is, it is subject to the public interest test.

The Health Board accepts that there is a public interest in ensuring openness and transparency and there is an interest in the public being aware of how much money is spent and the benefits derived from that expenditure. However, the Health Board believes that disclosure of information in a manner which fails to protect the interests and relationships arising in a commercial context could have the effect of discouraging companies from dealing with the Health Board because of fears that the disclosure of information could damage them commercially. In turn this could then jeopardise the Health Boards ability to compete fairly and pursue its function to bring forward development in the area and obtain value for money. It was therefore decided that it is not in the public's interest to disclose this information.

**5. Does your Health board undertake Adult ADHD assessments?**

Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg neu'r Saesneg. Atebir gohebiaeth Gymraeg yn y Gymraeg, ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English. Welsh language correspondence will be replied to in Welsh, and this will not lead to a delay.

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Yes.

- 6. If yes, please list the organisation/s that have contracted you to provide the Adult ADHD assessment service alongside the financial contract value for the last public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026)**

Swansea Bay University Health Board only provide Adult ADHD assessments for NHS Wales patients within the Swansea Bay University Health Board area.

- 7. Does your Health Board undertake Child ADHD assessments?**

Yes

- 8. If yes, please list the organisation/s that have contracted you to provide the Child ADHD assessment service alongside the financial contract value for the last public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026)**

Swansea Bay University Health Board only provide Child ADHD assessments for NHS Wales patients within the Swansea Bay University Health Board area.

- 9. The number of Adult ADHD assessments undertaken in the period 2024/2025, 2023/2024, 2022/2023, 2021/2022**

This information is not centrally recorded. To obtain the information would involve a manual trawl through case notes, which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI Act as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOI Act and The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

- 10. The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD assessment at the end of financial years 2024/2025, 2023/2024, 2022/2023, 2021/2022.**

2024/2025 – 422  
2023/2024 – 504  
2022/2023 – \*  
2021/2022 – \*

\* Swansea Bay University Health Board does not hold this information. During this time period our adult mental health waiting lists did not record if the patient was waiting for ADHD assessment.

To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of records which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI Act as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOI Act and The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.



**11. The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD assessment at the date of receipt of this FOIA request.**

478

**12. The number of Child ADHD assessments undertaken in the period 2024/2025, 2023/2024, 2022/2023, 2021/2022**

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**13. The number of Children waiting for an ADHD assessment at the end of financial years 2024/2025, 2023/2024, 2022/2023, 2021/2022.**

2024/2025 - 344

2023/2024 - 256

2022/2023 - 208

2021/2022 - 209

**14. The number of Children waiting for an ADHD assessment at the date of receipt of this FOIA request.**

As at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 there were 295 children waiting for ADHD assessment.

**15. Did you pay out under Right to Choose for Child ADHD assessments in the prior public sector year?**

Unlike England, there is currently no "Right to Choose" framework in Wales. NHS Wales does not operate a system of patient choice but looks to provide services close to a patient's home where possible.

**16. If yes, what was the total value of Child ADHD assessments under Right to Choose in the last public sector year (2024/2025)**

Not applicable.

**17. Please list the organisations you paid out for Child ADHD assessments undertaken in the last public sector year.**

Not applicable.

