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Dear Requestor,

Thank you for your recent request. Your request is being processed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). I confirm that Bridgewater holds some of the information you have requested. However, we are unable to provide you with part of the information as we consider that the following exemptions apply to it (see table below)

Question	Response	
<b>Section A</b>		
(A1) Does your organisation commission Adult ADHD Assessments? If yes, please list: (A1-i) the organisation or organisations in receipt of commission from you alongside the contract value for the last public sector financial year (1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1st April 2025 – 31st March 2026).	Not applicable BW – BW do not diagnose Adults ADHD	
(A3) Does your organisation undertake Adult ADHD Assessments? If yes, please list: (A3-i) the organisation or organisations that have contracted you to provide the ADHD Assessment service alongside the financial contract value for the last public sector financial year (1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1st April 2025 – 31st March 2026).		
(A2) Does your organisation commission Child ADHD Assessments? If yes, please list: (A2-i) the organisation or organisations in receipt of commission from you alongside the contract value for the last public sector financial year (1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1st April 2025 – 31st March 2026).	Yes  Bridgewater	Our commissioning contract is not broken down to the level required. It is a value for the whole of
(A4) Does your organisation undertake Child ADHD Assessments? If yes, please list: (A4-i) the organisation or organisations that have contracted you to provide the ADHD Assessment service alongside the financial contract value for the last public sector financial year (1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025) and the current public sector financial year (1st April 2025 – 31st March 2026).	Yes  ICB Cheshire And Merseyside	Community Paediatrics, not just ADHD.
<b>Section B</b>		
Please could you provide the information for the last public sector year (the period covering 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025). (B1). The number of Adult ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B2). The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of that period. (B3). The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the date of receipt of this FOI request. (B4). The number of Child ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B5). The number of Children waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of	We do not currently record the information you have requested in a reportable format for children, as we have already stated we don't diagnose adults. To collate the information would require	

<p>that period. (B6). The number of Children waiting for an ADHD Assessment as of the date of receipt of this FOI request.</p>	
<p>If it does not take us over the FOI cost threshold, then please can we ask similar questions for the prior public sector year. For the period covering 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024. (B7). The number of Adult ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B8). The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of that period. (B9). The number of Child ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B10). The number of Children waiting for an ADHD Assessment in that period.</p>	<p>an officer to manually review all patient records across multiple services, which would take us over the 18-hour limit.</p> <p>Therefore, we are applying section 12 of the FOIA. Section 12 allows a public authority to refuse to deal with a request where it estimates that it would exceed the appropriate limit of 18 hours.</p>
<p>If it does not take us over the FOI cost threshold, then please can we ask the same questions for the public sector, the year before the above. For the period covering 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023. (B11). The number of Adult ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B12). The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of that period. (B13). The number of Child ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B14). The number of Children waiting for an ADHD Assessment in that period.</p>	<p>However, under section 16 FOIA we have a duty to provide advice and assistance. We can provide you with the following information; we have a working group and may be able to provide this information at a later date (minimum of about 6 months).</p>
<p>If it does not take us over the FOI cost threshold, then please can we ask the same questions for the public sector, the year before the above. For the period covering 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.  (B15). The number of Adult ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B16). The number of Adults waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of that period. (B17). The number of Child ADHD Assessments undertaken in that period (B18). The number of Children waiting for an ADHD Assessment in that period.</p>	
<p><b>Section C</b></p>	
<p>If it does not take us over the FOI cost threshold, then please can we ask this additional set of questions (C1). Did you pay out under Right to Choose for Adult ADHD Assessments in the prior public sector year? If yes: (C1-i) How many Adult ADHD Assessments were paid out under Right to Choose in the last public sector year (2024-25) (C2-ii) What was the total value of Adult ADHD Assessments under Right to Choose in the last public sector year (2024-25). (C2-iii) Please list the organisations you paid out for Adult ADHD Assessments under Right to Choose, alongside the total financial amount paid, and the quantity of Adult ADHD Assessments undertaken for the last public sector year (April 1st 2024- 31st March 2025).</p>	<p>Not applicable as above</p>
<p>(C2). Did you pay out under Right to Choose for Child ADHD Assessments in the prior public sector year? If yes:</p>	<p>Our commissioning contract is not broken down to the level required. It is a value for</p>
<p>(C1-i) How many Child ADHD Assessments were paid out under Right to Choose in the last public sector year (2024-25)</p>	



(C2-ii) What was the total value of Child ADHD Assessments under Right to Choose in the last public sector year (2024-25).  
(C2-iii) Please list the organisations you paid out for Child ADHD Assessments under Right to Choose, alongside the total financial amount paid, and the quantity of Child ADHD Assessments undertaken for the last public sector year (April 1st 2024- 31st March 2025).

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer

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