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Dear Sir / Madam,

Re: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST: FOI 2940

Please find below the response to your Freedom of Information request to Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust.

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I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information regarding ADHD assessments within Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust. NHS South East London ICB advised us that information on children's ADHD assessment services is held by your Trust.

Adult ADHD Assessments

- 1. How many adults do you have waiting for an ADHD diagnosis at the moment?*
- 2. How many adults were given an ADHD Assessment in the last year (1st April 2025 - 31st March 2026).*
- 3. If an adult was referred to you now, when would you expect them to be seen?*
- 4. Please describe your current Adult ADHD Assessment pathway.*

The Trust does not have adult ADHD service.

Child ADHD Assessments

- 5. How many children do you have waiting for an ADHD diagnosis at the moment?*

It is not possible to ascertain this, as these children are included within those awaiting an initial developmental appointment.

- 6. How many children were given an ADHD Assessment in the last year (1st April 2025 - 31st March 2026).*

316 children received an ADHD diagnosis within the Trust's Children's Community Service during this period.

Please note that the Trust's paediatric ADHD service is available only in Lambeth; in Southwark, it is commissioned through CAMHS.

7. If a child was referred to you now, when would you expect them to be seen?

The median waiting time for an initial developmental assessment is 22 weeks.

8. Please describe your current Child ADHD Assessment pathway.

Referrals to General Paediatrics awaiting a first appointment follow one of three pathways:

1. Referral with clear ADHD concerns:

- Clinician triages and requests Conners questionnaires (standardised tools used to assess ADHD-related behaviours) to be sent out.
- Where completed Conners questionnaires are received before the first appointment, a diagnosis may be made at the first appointment, with discharge as appropriate.

2. Referral with clear ADHD concerns but pre-clinic information not received on time:

- Clinician triages and requests Conners questionnaires to be sent out.
- Initial appointment proceeds without the Conners questionnaires returned and generates a follow-up appointment once Conners are returned.
- The team arranges a follow-up appointment once returned.

3. ADHD concerns identified at initial appointment:

- Clinician undertakes a full initial assessment and, where ADHD is suspected,
- Clinicians request administrative team to send out Conners questionnaires and a follow-up appointment.
- The team arranges a follow-up appointment once returned.

Conners chasing – the system automatically sends reminders for outstanding Conners questionnaires. Clinicians notify the administrative team where urgent follow-up is required, at which point parents and schools are contacted by telephone or email.

Please let us know if you require more details or further clarification. You can find out more about the Trust and our publication scheme at our website².

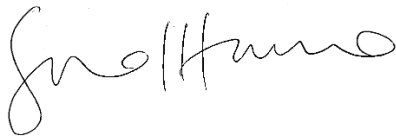
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If you remain dissatisfied after a review, you have the right under s50 of the Act to apply to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Further details about this and the Act can be found on their website³.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara Hanna', written in a cursive style.

Dr Sara Hanna,
Medical Director – Evelina London Women's & Children's Healthcare

¹ Either version 3 or, at your discretion, any later version – <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/>

² <http://www.guysandstthomas.nhs.uk/about-us/publications/foi/freedom-of-information.aspx>

³ <http://www.ico.org.uk>