

FOI/2019

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

For the years 2018, 2019, 2020,2021 and 2022 please provide the following broken down by calendar year.

- i) Number of people who sought/referred for an ADHD diagnosis.**
 - ii) Number of individuals who were then referred for assessment.**
 - iii) Number of those assessed who were given an official diagnosis.**
- Please further segregate the data by CYP and Adults.**

Please see attached document relating to children and young people.

Diagnostic coding is not applied in outpatient clinics and this information cannot be easily accessed for adult services. This information is not recorded centrally and therefore retrieving it would involve a manual search of patient records. As such we cannot provide this information as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. In order to obtain this information from a number of individual patient records would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

In addition, it would not be appropriate to search through individual patient records for the purposes for responding to a FOI request, there would be no patient expectation that medical records would be used in this way.

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