

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 23-273**

11 May 2023

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we hold some of the information you are requesting

**A) Do you use screening before referring individuals to be assessed for ADHD.**

**Definition being as per NHS:**

**Screening: a triage process, using standardised tools and/or agreed processes and carried out by experienced Liaison and Diversion practitioners.**

**Assessment including specialist assessment: carried out by someone with a specific professional mandate, i.e. with requisite professional skills.**

Adults: We do not use standardised screening. Following an assessment by a Psychiatrist if there is consideration of ADHD the referral pathway is from the GP & advice on this would be provided. On occasion we have utilised recognised screening tools such as the 'Adult ADHD Self-Report Scale (ASRS)', to assist our advice. For further information please contact Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership: <http://www.awp.nhs.uk/>

Children's:

Please contact the Community Children's Health Partnership for further information <https://cchp.nhs.uk/>.

**A2) If yes, when did you introduce screening?**

Adults: Not applicable.

Children's: Not applicable.

**B) 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 received screening**

**iii) Number of individuals who were then referred for assessment.**

**iv) Number of those assessed who were given an official diagnosis.**

We do not hold this information.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer  
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
Marlborough Street  
Bristol  
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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