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Ref: 59775

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Email:

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Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 25th June 2019, with regards to autism diagnosis.

Request:

1. In your area, how many people who were referred for a diagnostic assessment had the assessment started within 3 months of their referral in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19? Please provide this information as a number and as a percentage.
2. What was the median wait from referral to the start of the diagnostic assessment in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19?
3. What was the longest wait from referral to the start of diagnostic assessment in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19?
4. Out of those who received a diagnosis of an autistic spectrum condition in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19, what was the median time from referral to final diagnosis?
5. Out of those who received a diagnosis of an autistic spectrum condition in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19, what was the longest time from referral to final diagnosis?
6. Out of those who received a diagnosis of an autistic spectrum condition in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19, what was the median time from the start of diagnostic assessment to final diagnosis?
7. Out of those who received a diagnosis of an autistic spectrum condition in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19, what was the longest time from the start of diagnostic assessment to final diagnosis?
8. Out of those who received a diagnosis of an autistic spectrum condition in a) 2017-18 b) 2018-19, what was the median time from the completion of the diagnostic assessment to final diagnosis?

9. Out of those who received a diagnosis of an autistic spectrum condition in a) 2017-18
b) 2018-19, what was the longest time from the completion of the diagnostic assessment to final diagnosis?
10. As of June 2019, what is the expected waiting time from referral to the start of the diagnostic assessment?
11. As of June 2019, what is the expected waiting time from referral to final diagnosis?
12. As of June 2019, what is the expected waiting time from the start of the diagnostic assessment to final diagnosis?
13. As of June 2019, what is the expected waiting time from completion of the diagnostic assessment to final diagnosis?

Response: We are unable to provide you with the information you have requested under section 1 (1)(a) of the FOI Act as we do not hold the level of information that you have requested.

Please redirect your request to the providers of the service – Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust for Adults and Alder Hey Children’s NHS Foundation Trust for Children.

- Alder Hey Children’s NHS Foundation Trust info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk
- Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk

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Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance. The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

**Corporate Services Team
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