

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 25th February making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request and Response:

I am looking for information about autism assessment times at the Trust.

As such, I would like answers to the following questions:

What is the Trust's target waiting time for assessment after an adult suspected of having autism has been referred?

In Oxfordshire no adult service is commissioned from Oxford Health NHS FT. There is no target in Buckinghamshire

What is the Trust's target waiting time for assessment after a child suspected of having autism has been referred?

CAMHS referral to assessment is 12 weeks in Oxford as per NICE guidance There is no target in CAMHS in Buckinghamshire

How many adults were referred to the Trust for autism assessment in 2017/18?

Section 12 applied.

How many children were referred to the Trust for autism assessment in in 2017/18?

Section 12 applied.

What was the average waiting time for assessment after an adult suspected of having autism had been referred to the Trust in 2017/18?

Section 12 applied.

What was the average waiting time for assessment after a child suspected of having autism had been referred to the Trust in 2017/18?

Section 12 applied.

How many adults referred to the Trust for autism assessment are currently waiting for assessment?

There are adults awaiting assessment.

How many children referred to the Trust for autism assessment are currently waiting for assessment?

There are children awaiting assessment.

Where section 12 has been applied extensive manual review and analysis of individual patient records is required to fully answer this element of your request and the Trust would exceed the appropriate limit set in regulation by section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act if it were to comply with your request. The Trust estimate that a minimum of 30 hours would be required to produce the date requested, the limit in section 12 is 18 hours.

If you are concerned with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for Fol Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance