

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

NHS Foundation Trust

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Date Received: 21st March 2025

Response Due: 22nd April 2025

Date: 1st April 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 21st March 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the waiting times for ADHD assessments within Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust.

I would appreciate it if you could provide the information requested for each of the following financial years:

- 2024 – 2025 (to date)
- 2023 – 2024
- 2022 – 2023
- 2021 – 2022

I would also greatly appreciate if the information requested could be broken down by the following two metrics:

- Gender
- Age – specifically whether the patients are adults or children

I am specifically requesting information on the following data points:

1. The number of patients who received an ADHD assessment each year.

The Trust is unable to provide this information as clinics are mixed with various neuro-disabilities and we are unable to differentiate between those for ADHD specifically. Therefore, the Trust is unable to provide this data as it is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2. The number of patients on the waiting list to receive an ADHD Assessment at the end of each financial year.

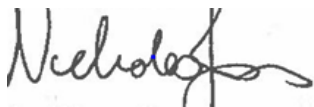
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3. The average waiting time for an ADHD assessment from the date of referral to the date of diagnosis.

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If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Nicholas Jones
Interim Director of Operations and Performance - Surgery

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy 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: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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