

Ref: FOI/2025/10801

Date Received: 2nd June 2025

Response Due: 30th June 2025

Date: 17th June 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 2nd June 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I've heard back from an NHS Trust who shared some information that I just wanted to pass on in case it's helpful:

We use ICD 10 codes for diagnosis, and we identified the codes F63.8 -Other habit and impulse disorders and F63.9 - impulse disorder, unspecified that CBD fits into. We would need to go back to the clinicians to ask which of these service users (if any) have CBD as these codes cover generically other habit and impulse disorders.

I also have an additional question that is related to the request. Please find it below.

- 1. How many people have been identified as having a behavioural addiction which are partly (or wholly) linked to screen usage e.g gambling, porn or gaming, during the following periods:**
 - 2020/21
 - 2021/22
 - 2022/23
 - 2023/24
 - 2024/25
 - 2025-to datePlease see the below response.

- 2. What is the age and gender of those identified above? (For this question, I am not requesting any information that would identify patients).**
Please see the below response.

Whilst it is possible that one of the codes F63.8 or F63.9 could be found in one of the secondary diagnosis positions, it would not be possible to confirm from those codes that the specific type of compulsions you have listed above, is the diagnosis. 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.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joanne Bark". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joanne Bark
Divisional Director of Operations & Performance

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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111