

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 7th December 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:

- What is your current autism waiting time (average, shortest, longest) referral to diagnosis for children?
- Can you break this down to referral to first appointment and give the waiting time (average, shortest, longest)?
- How many children are awaiting diagnosis currently? Please can you break down the number of children with a booked future appointment and those waiting without an appointment?
- Can you provide a copy of the diagnosis pathway, please?

Response:

The Trust is not able to comply with your request as to do would require it to exceed the appropriate limit. The information requested is held only in individual patient records. The Trust do not report on diagnosis specific waiting time, and to do so would require development of a report to extract the data and manual analysis of the results. The Trust estimate it would take at least 25 hours to comply with the request. The appropriate limit set in regulation by section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act is 18 hours.

The Trust publish information about the service and access to it, available via the following URL:

https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/service_description/camhs-diagnostic-clinic-for-autism/

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 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 FoI 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