

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:**1. ADHD and Autism Assessments:**

- Please provide information on the current ADHD and Autism assessment backlog within your Trust.
Adult:- For ASD our service in the South are giving a waiting time currently as a minimum of 4years. For the NE ASD service it's around 10 months to a year for a diagnostic assessment but individuals will have had an initial assessment and informant contact prior to this. For our ADHD services in both NE/West and MSE the waiting times are similar with around 18months to 2 years for an initial assessment and then a further 2 years for a diagnostic assessment and then a further 2 years for pharmacological treatment.

Children:- Our ASD waiting list is 11months. ADHD is 13months.

- Does your Trust currently use private healthcare providers to assist in delivering ADHD and Autism assessments (for Adults & Children)?
Commissioners in the 3 ICBs (Herts and West Essex, Mid and South Essex, Suffolk & North East Essex) may commission other providers and there is also the Right to Choose route that some people choose to take.

If applicable: (N/A)

- Please provide the names of these private healthcare providers. – **this is not information that EPUT hold as it would be done through the ICBs**
- Please specify the cost per ADHD assessment and cost per Autism assessment. **As above**
- Provide details regarding the scope and duration of any contractual agreements with these providers, including the turnaround timeframe for completion of outsourced ADHD and Autism assessments. – **As above**
- What is the Trust annual budget to outsource ADHD and Autism assessments and what is the current annual spend? – **As above**
- How many ADHD and Autism assessments are outsourced each month and is their scope to increase this number? If so, by how many? – **As above**
- Do your current provider/s have or offer the capacity to address the backlog within the Trusts required timeframes? - **As above**

- Please provide the name and contact information of the individual/team for the Trust who would manage the ADHD/Autism assessments (for Adults & Children). – [As above](#)

2. Other Mental Health Assessments:

- Does your Trust use private healthcare providers to assist in delivering any other types of mental health assessments outside of ADHD and Autism assessments? **Not mental health assessments.**
- If so, please specify what types of assessments these are, the names of the private healthcare providers involved, and the costs associated with these services. [N/A](#)
- Include details about the scope and duration of any contractual agreements for these services. [N/A](#)

If your Trust is not currently using private healthcare providers to help reduce or clear this assessment backlog, would you consider doing so now or in the future? [N/A](#)

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