

Dear Requestor

RE: Freedom of Information Request

With reference to your request for information I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we partially hold the information that you have requested. A response to each part of your request is below.

In the request you asked:

1. Broken down by reasons for CAMHS referral*, the percentage of cases closed before treatment began from 1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021.

NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG does not hold this information. You may wish to contact the individual providers to request this information. Information on how to submit a Freedom of Information request can be found on their websites via the following links.

- NHS Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust - <https://www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/c-freedom-of-information>
- Nottingham City Council Targeted Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) & Behaviour and Emotional Health Team (BEH) - <https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/your-council/about-the-council/access-to-information/access-to-information/>

The following providers are not subject to the Freedom of Information Act however you may wish to contact them for information.

- Family Action (Small Steps)
- Kooth
- Base 51

2. Broken down by reasons for CAMHS referral*, the average wait time for treatment to begin following referral from 1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021.

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3. The top 10 longest waits for treatment in CAMHS, including how long they've waited and reason for referral from 1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021.

The CCG does hold this information however it cannot be disclosed due to being a small number of patients. If disclosed this could potentially identify the individuals involved, especially if combined with other data, and this would constitute a

breach of the Data Protection Act 2018. Therefore, this information is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on the grounds that it is personal information.

*Examples of reasons for referrals (not exclusive): Anxiety, attention behaviour pathway, autism, depression, eating disorders, obsessive compulsive disorder and body dysmorphic disorder, PTSD, psychosis, self harm, disorders inclusive of tourettes.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group have an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Associate Director of Governance via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG, 1 Standard Court, Park Row, Nottingham, NG1 6GN.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office, who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act, and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group formerly known as NHS Mansfield and Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Newark and Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Rushcliffe Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham West Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS Nottingham City Clinical Commissioning Group and Nottingham North and East Clinical Commissioning Group. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to: FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern: <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours sincerely

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