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Dear Requestor

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, received on 4 September 2025, regarding autism assessments via NHS Right to Choose. We have processed your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Under the FOIA, public authorities like ours are required to respond to requests for information within 20 working days. In response to your request, I can confirm that we partially hold the information requested.

Details of your request:

Please provide the following information for the most recent 12-month period available, relating to autism diagnostic assessments delivered under the **NHS Right to Choose (RTC) pathway** within NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB:

- 1. The total number of autism diagnostic referrals made under the NHS Right to Choose pathway.
- 2. A breakdown of which independent providers received these referrals (e.g. Psychiatry UK, Clinical Partners, The Owl Centre, etc.).
- 3. The average waiting time for an autism diagnostic assessment under the Right to Choose pathway.
- 4. Any projections or internal assessments the ICB holds on demand for autism assessments under RTC over the next 12–24 months.

Our response to your request:

The ICB does not hold this information as whilst Nottingham and Nottinghamshire patients may access Right to Choose providers, referrals are made directly from GPs to these providers. The ICB does not commission or hold contracts with any RTC providers.

The Providers we are aware of, who have delivered some activity for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB patients under Right to Choose, are:

- ADHD 360
- Care ADHD
- Clinical Partners
- Dr J and Colleagues
- Evolve
- Harrow Health
- Health Harmonie
- Held Health

- Holistic ADHD Solutions
- LaTahzan
- Mantle Psychology
- Oakdale Centre
- Problem Shared
- Provide Wellbeing
- PSCICON
- Psychiatry UK
- RTN Mental Health Solutions
- Skylight Psychiatry
- Solutions4Health
- The Owl Centre
- Paloma Health

However, we are unable to provide a breakdown of referrals or activity, as we do not hold this information.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has 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, Director of Corporate Affairs via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to FOI Team at NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham NG5 6DA.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), 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 ICB. 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 via https://ico.org.uk/concerns/.

Yours sincerely

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