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**Dear Requestor** 

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, received on 27October 2025, regarding ADHD assessments. 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.

## Please find below our response to your request:

Further to my previous requests regarding the ICB's expenditure on ADHD assessments which is for a research report into expenditure by ICBs on private providers of ADHD assessments, I am seeking the following information regarding expenditure data for this financial year.

I appreciate that it might not be possible for the ICB to separate off expenditure on ADHD assessments from ASD assessments and so please do provide total amounts for both commissioned services.

- The total amount spent by the ICB on ADHD assessments with non-NHS private providers between 1
  April 2025 and 30 September 2025.
  - £0.779m for ADHD Assessments; and £0.759m for ASD Assessments.
- 2. A breakdown of expenditure by the ICB on individual non-NHS private providers for the delivery of ADHD assessments between 1 April 2025 and 30 September 2025 *where the ICB has a contract*.
  - The ICB does not hold contracts with non-NHS providers for the delivery of ADHD assessments. However, patients registered with GPs in the ICB can access assessments from non-NHS providers through the NHS Right To Choose process.
- 3. A breakdown of expenditure by the ICB on individual non-NHS private providers for the delivery of ADHD assessments between 1 April 2025 and 30 September 2025 where the ICB <u>does not have a contract</u> (Non-contract activity/Right to Choose).
  - £0.779m for ADHD Assessments; and £0.759m for ASD Assessments.
- 4. The total budget for expenditure on ADHD assessments for the financial year 2025/26.
  - The ICB does not hold this information as ADHD assessment expenditure is within a wider block contract featuring other services such as diagnosis, prescription, treatment and follow-up costs).

- 4a) Where available, please provide the total budget for expenditure on ADHD assessments for the financial year 2025/26 for those assessments which are undertaken by non-NHS private companies on a <u>non-contract activity/Right to choose basis.</u>
  - £4.475m for non-NHS, non-contract private providers, overall Right to Choose budget for ADHD/ASD.
- 5. The forecast overspend or underspend on the 2025/26 budget for ADHD assessments as of 30 September 2025.
  - The ICB does not hold this information as ADHD assessments spend is within a wider block contract featuring other services such as diagnosis, prescription, treatment and follow-up costs).
  - 5a) Where available, please provide the forecast overspend or underspend on the 2025/26 budget for ADHD assessments for those assessments which are undertaken by non-NHS private companies on <u>a non-contract activity/Right to choose basis</u> (i.e. the overspend on the budget described in 4a above, if available).
    - The overall Right to Choose budget for ADHD/ASD non-contract private providers is overspent by £0.500m. The ICB does not hold this information broken down for assessments only.

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 <a href="mailto:lucy.branson@nhs.net">lucy.branson@nhs.net</a> 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.

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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 <a href="https://ico.org.uk/concerns/">https://ico.org.uk/concerns/</a>.

Yours sincerely

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