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Dear

Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Ref no: FOI 2974 LSC

Thank you for your request dated 07 March 2023.

We can confirm that the ICB does not hold all the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q1 Your Question:

Please will you provide me with information relating to the waiting lists for ADHD and ASD referrals. I am seeking:

A copy of the latest correspondence stating the expected waiting times for patients who are referred to secondary care to receive their first appointment; or

Our Response:

Modality LLP (ADHD Assessments) current waiting list is between 10 and 12 months. No formal correspondence is in place, this has been requested from the provider.

Adult ASD Assessment (Clinical Partners) current waiting times from referral to first appointment is 6 months. No formal correspondence is in place, this has been requested from the provider, or forms part of contractual performance returns. Formal correspondence highlighting waiting times will be between provider and referee.

In Blackpool, Adult ASD assessment is provided by Blackpool Council and Blackpool Intermediate Mental Health Team. We do not hold correspondence and details of the current waiting time, but this can be obtained from the provider below:

Clinical Partners – <u>info@clinical-partners.co.uk</u>
Blackpool Intermediate Mental Health Team - <u>bfwh.pso@nhs.net</u>
Modality LLP – <u>www.modalitycommunityservices.com/adhd</u> (online enquiry form)

Q2 Your Question:

• A copy of any emails stating the expected waiting times for patients who are referred to secondary care to receive their first appointment.

Please provide the information in the form that is most convenient to the ICP. If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined, I would be grateful for any further advice and assistance.

Our Response:

NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB do not hold such emails within the ICB. The above provides current waiting times only.

In order to refine your request, and obtain details of correspondence provided between providers and patients that state current waiting times, we would suggest obtaining this from the providers direct. Contact details for both Blackpool and Clinical Partners are provided below:

Clinical Partners - info@clinical-partners.co.uk

Blackpool Intermediate Mental Health Team – <u>bfwh.pso@nhs.net</u> To be directed to their FOI

Modality LLP - <u>www.modalitycommunityservices</u>.com/adhd (online enquiry form)

Right of Appeal

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within two calendar months from the date this response was issued.

To request an internal review

You can request this by contacting the FOI team by email at MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net or by post to Jubilee House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TR, specifying why you require a review.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal 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 CCGs FOI complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

On behalf of Kevin Lavery ICB Chief Executive