

FOI 0165/2021 Response

Request

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from the Adult ADHD services, part of the Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health NHS Trust.

Please may you provide me with:

1. Number of referrals made for Adult ADHD assessments for the 3rd and 4th quarter of 2020 and 1st and 2nd quarter of 2021.
2. Average waiting time from referral to first appointment for the 3rd and 4th quarter of 2020 and 1st and 2nd quarter of 2021, and latest available measure of said average waiting time.
3. Number of current referrals waiting for first appointment (waiting list, no first appointment booked).

Response

Please see the attached spreadsheet and note the following:

- Data has been provided for calendar quarters.
- The data provided for Q2 is in relation to the average waiting time for patients that had their first appointment in each quarter.
- The data provided for Q2b is the same information for 2021 quarter 3 using provisional data available as at 28th September 2021.
- For question 3 we have provided the total numbers of people currently waiting for a first appointment, but split it into those with and without an appointment already booked.
- Prior to the Trust providing ADHD services to individuals within the Birmingham and Solihull area, Birmingham and Solihull Clinical Commissioning Groups (BSOL CCG) had a separate arrangement with another provider to deliver ADHD services within the Solihull area.

This therefore meant that a number of patients that were transferred from the previous Solihull waiting list to the Trust's waiting list, were already awaiting a longer time for assessment and treatment.