

FOI 0175/2021 Response

Request

To whom it may concern

I would like to make a freedom of information request, under the Freedom of Information Act, pertaining to the trust use of insourcing providers to aid in waiting list management. Specifically, I would like to know;

1. Does the trust currently use private insourcing providers?
2. Which providers are currently used, and for what type of work are they employed (e.g general surgery, ophthalmology, etc)?
3. Does the trust also outsource waiting list work to private hospitals, etc?
4. What % of patients are insourced vs outsourced?
5. Please provide a list of insourcing contracts that have been awarded to insourcing providers within the last 5 financial years, to include the following information;
 - a. Contract award date
 - b. Contract end date
 - c. Name of company the contract was awarded to
 - d. Value of contract
 - e. Nature of contract (which specialism does the contract relate to, what does the contract cover)
 - f. Contact name title and contact details for the person in charge of each contract awarded

Response

As a mental health Trust, Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation does not operate Waiting List Initiative (WLI). The Trust therefore does not insource any providers to aid with waiting lists. Therefore, all of the other questions are not applicable.