

Ref: FOI/00472/CMICB
25 August 2023

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Right to Choose - ADHD Services**

Thank you for your information request indicated in bold below, which has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB). I can provide you with the following information and responses.

Please note from 01 July 2022, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) were disestablished, and their statutory functions and responsibilities inherited by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB.

Your Request:

Can you tell me under the NHS right to choose agenda how many individuals since 2021 have chosen to receive an assessment and or treatment for ADHD from a provider other than your commissioned provider, could you also tell me the total value spent on these ADHD private providers since 2020.

Our Response:

Please find listed below the information held regarding the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020 in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB:

Cheshire

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£68,338
2022/23	£318,771

Halton

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£13,151
2022/23	£14,665

Knowsley

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£2,632
2022/23	£3,611

Liverpool

For the financial years 2020/21 to 2022/23 a total of 2,858 Liverpool patients have chosen to receive an assessment and/or treatment for ADHD from a provider other than the locally commissioned provider under NHS Right to Choose. Please find listed below total spend for the 2020/21 to 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers of ADHD assessments and/or treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2020/21	£15,839
2021/22	£170,074
2022/23	£1,033,858

Sefton

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£13,218
2022/23	£160,925

St Helens

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£5,535
2022/23	£1,068

Warrington

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£26,452
2022/23	£29,095

Wirral

Information not held specifically on the number of patients who have received an assessment/treatment for ADHD under NHS Right to Choose since 2020. However, please find listed below the total spend for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years on non-contract providers for ADHD assessment and treatment:

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Total Spend on Non-Contract ADHD providers</i>
2021/22	£106,064
2022/23	£808,751

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that, where you are not satisfied with the response to your request for information, a formal complaints and internal review process is available.

This can be formally requested by emailing foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk and must be done within a reasonable time period (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you remain dissatisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at;

*The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Should you need any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us quoting the above FOI reference.