

Date: Friday, 28th February 2020 Our Ref: MB/SH FOI 4267

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4267

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 28th February 2020.

Your request was as follows:

For each annual quarter starting January 2017 (or the earliest that you hold the relevant data for), I would like to know the following:

(Age categories can be whatever is most easily accessible - or as U18 / 18-24 / 25-34 / 35-44 / 45-54 / 55-64 / 65+)

1. The number of people, broken down by age category, who have been referred to your trust for diagnosis with suspected autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust is a Specialist Neuroscience Tertiary Care Centre; we would not receive referrals to treat patients for the condition you have mentioned above.

2. The number of people, broken down by age category, who have been referred to your trust for diagnosis that have an additional mental health condition at the same time as being referred for diagnosis with suspected autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

N/A

3. A breakdown of those patients covered by part (2) by the additional mental health condition that they are diagnosed with.

N/A

4. The number of people, broken down by age category, who are diagnosed with an additional mental health condition when they are already on the waiting for diagnosis of suspected autism spectrum disorder (ASD) as the result of a referral at a previous appointment.

N/A

5. A breakdown of those patients covered by part (4) by the mental health condition that they are diagnosed with.

N/A

Please see our response above in blue.

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Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 4267 in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely *Mike Burns* **Mr. Mike Burns, Executive Lead for Freedom of Information**



