

Freedom of Information Request **20 036**

Our Reference: FOI 20 036 / AA / PB
Name:
Date: 4th March 2020
Address:

Dear

Further to your Freedom of Information Request, please find the Trust's response below:

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act of 2000.

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

- 1) The number of people, broken down by age category, who were referred to your services with suspected autism spectrum disorder (ASD)

Please find detail below for Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust. These numbers relate to our autism specific diagnosis service. Please be advised that In order to adhere to best practice in maintaining confidentiality the Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identity being revealed. Exemption – Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act is applied. To disclose the information requested would be in breach of the Data Protection Act (2018).

	2017				2018				2019			
	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Under 18	164	157	162	104	141	195	185	191	202	206	150	131
18-64	15	18	13	32	23	40	35	57	67	41	60	47
65+	0	Less than 5	0	0	0	0	0	Less than 5	0	0	Less than 5	0

- 2) The number of people, broken down by age category, who were then diagnosed with suspected autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

Kindly note, in relation to those patients diagnosed during 2017 and early 2018, the number of patients diagnosed with ASD extracted from our systems, may not correctly reflect the number of diagnosis issued. To report on a patient diagnosis within the Trust electronic records, we report on "clinical coding". Until 2018, the ASD Service was not regularly coded to allow accurate reporting. Accurate diagnosis figures for 2017 and 2018 cannot be provided as to verify the figures would require a manual trawl of the electronic records, which we estimate will exceed the statutory time limit.



	2017				2018				2019			
	Jan-17	Apr-17	Jul-17	Oct-17	Jan-18	Apr-18	Jul-18	Oct-18	Jan-19	Apr-19	Jul-19	Oct-19
Under 18	7	12	24	11	19	27	131	175	186	197	145	131
18-64	Less than 5	Less than 5	Less than 5	0	Less than 5	0	Less than 5	Less than 5	5	Less than 5	Less than 5	Less than 5

Kind regards,

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