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Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information which was received on 29 March 2023, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and our response follows:

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

I would like to request the following information:

1. The current waiting time (in weeks) for children referred for an assessment for autism as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
2. The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for autism as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
3. The current waiting time (in weeks) for children referred for an assessment for ADHD as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
4. The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for ADHD as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
5. Does your health board have a specialist budget allocated for the following conditions:

- Autism, or Autism Spectrum Conditions

- ADHD: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, or ADD: Attention Deficit Disorder

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- Dyscalculia
- Dyslexia
- Dyspraxia, or Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD)
- Tourette's Syndrome

6. If yes to question 6, how much of your budget is allocated to each of the above for 2023.

Powys Response:

Q1 The current wait time to date for those awaiting an appointment as of 29/3/23 (final wait time will be longer): Mean wait = 19 weeks

Q2 The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for autism as of Monday, 29 March 2023 is 60 weeks

Q3 Current wait time to date for those awaiting an appointment as of 29/3/23 (final wait time will be longer): Mean wait = 19 weeks

Q4 A specialist adult ADHD service has been a priority for PTHB and other Health Boards across Wales to establish as demands for diagnostic assessment have outweighed capacity within secondary mental health services. In Powys, the new ADHD service is due to go live imminently with some priority assessment work already underway along with pathway development and a review of the referrals that have been captured as unmet needs that can now be established as a formal waiting list that will be addressed over the coming months. As the review of unmet needs will determine how many individuals still require assessment, at this time we are not able to confirm accurate waiting times.

Q5 PTHB Paediatric Service have a budget for Neurodevelopmental services which encompasses ASD, ADHD and ADD.

Q6 Not applicable, see response 5.

Should you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

If you are dissatisfied, with the way your request has been dealt with by PTHB, you have the right to request a review in which case you should write to:

Chief Executive
Powys Teaching Health Board Headquarters
Glasbury House
Bronllys Hospital
Bronllys
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If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

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Churchill House,

Churchill Way,

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Yours sincerely



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