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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 19 May 2026, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) partly holds the information that you require, but have applied an exemption to elements of this request.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and the Health Board's response follows each question individually.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request and Powys Response (Bold):

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information:

Q1. Please provide your total annual spend (for each of the last three financial years, FY23/24, FY24/25, FY25/FY26) on ADHD and Autism assessments, broken down by:

- Total annual spend by third party private provider *
- For each third-party private provider, total annual spend by assessment type (ADHD / Autism)

Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) is withholding the total annual spend and total annual spend by assessment type as it is considered exempt under Section 43 Commercial Interests of the Freedom of Information Act. This section of the Act sets out an exemption from the right to know if releasing the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (a person maybe an individual, company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity).

This exemption was considered by the Health Board when deciding whether to release this information because it was felt that, in doing so, it could create a significant risk in prejudicing the commercial interests

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of the Health Board and the third parties we work with.

As this is a qualified exemption the Health Board must consider the public interest in deciding whether to withhold or disclose the information. The Health Board accepts that there is a public interest in ensuring openness and transparency. However, the Health Board believes that disclosure of information in a manner which fails to protect the interests and relationships arising in a commercial context could discourage third parties from dealing with the Health Board because of fears that the disclosure of information could damage them commercially. In turn, this could jeopardise the Health Board's ability to compete fairly and pursue its function to bring forward development in the area and obtain value for money. As a result, exemption Section 43 is engaged as it is not considered in the public interest to disclose this.

However, to comply with our obligation under Section 16 of the Act, the duty to provide help and assistance, please find below table which sets out total expenditure, grouped into bands for each provider.

Supplier: Wade Therapy Services		
Adult services	Childrens services	Childrens services
2023/2024	2024/2025	2025/2026
<£50K	£200K to £300K	£50K to £100K

Q2. Please provide your total number of patients (for each of the last three financial years, FY23/24, FY24/25, FY25/FY26) on ADHD and Autism assessments, broken down by:

a. Total number of patients assessed by third party private provider*

	Total number of patients assessed by third party private provider	
Year	Adults	Children (under 18)
2023/2024	15	0
2024/2025	0	85
2025/2026	0	36

b. For each third-party private provider, total number of patients assessed by assessment type (ADHD / Autism)

Adults: 15 Autism assessments.

Children: PTHB's neurodevelopmental children's service commissioned a third-party provider to carry out neurodevelopmental assessments. This included assessments for ADHD and Autism. We are unable to provide information by assessment type as children underwent a dual assessment.

Q3. For each third-party private provider, please indicate the contract type (block / activity-based), start date and end date

Adults: Block contract between February - March 2024

Children: Block contracts were between January - March 2025 and February - March 2026.

Please include volumes from NHS Trusts within your ICB that may deliver these services, and also third-party private providers (or indicate if this is not possible) FY is defined as a year starting in April and ending in March. For example, FY23/24 starts on 1 April 2023 and ends on 31 March 2024.

If exact spend by provider is not disclosable, please provide spend in bands (e.g., <£0.5m; £0.5–1m; £1–2m; £2–5m; >£5m) or top 5 providers plus 'all others'

* Third-party private providers Refers to independent, non-NHS organisations contracted to deliver ADHD and / or Autism services. These providers operate outside of NHS Trusts / ICBs / Health Boards and typically deliver services such as assessments, prescribing, post-diagnostic support, and therapy. Examples may include (but are not limited to) ADHD 360, Psychiatry UK, Clinical Partners, and Evolve Psychology. These providers may deliver services under direct contracts with the ICB, via framework agreements, or under the NHS Right to Choose pathway.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Should you wish an internal review, please quote the reference number and send your correspondence to the above address.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Address: Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH.

Telephone: 0330 414 6421

Complaints Portal: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

Web site: <https://ico.org.uk/>

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All information supplied by the Health Board in answering a request for information (RFI) under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 will be subject to the terms of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015.

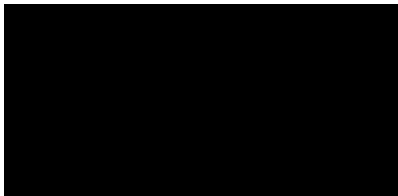
Under the terms of the Regulations, the Health Board will licence the re-use of any or all information supplied if being used in a form and for the purpose other than which it was originally supplied. This license for re-use will be in line with the requirements of the Regulations and the licensing terms and fees as laid down by the Office of Public Sector Information (OPSI). Most licenses will be free; however, the Health Board reserves the right, in certain circumstances to charge a fee for the re-use of some information which it deems to be of commercial value.

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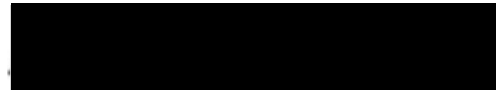
Yours sincerely



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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb y fath ohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.