

## Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We are formally asking your assistance by providing us with answers to our questions below.

### Child ASD assessment

- 1) How many patients are on your waiting list today? **347**
- 2) What is the longest waiting time for patients on your waiting list? **26 months**
- 3) What is the average waiting time for patients on your waiting list?

The Trust does not hold recorded information in relation to the average waiting time for patients on its waiting list in the format requested.

In accordance with Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Trust can only provide information that it holds at the time a request is made. As this information is not collected or centrally recorded by the Trust, we are unable to provide a response to this part of your request.

### Adult ASD assessment

- 1) How many patients are on your waiting list today?
- 2) What is the longest waiting time for patients on your waiting list?
- 3) What is the average waiting time for patients on your waiting list?

Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust does not provide adult Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) diagnostic assessment services.

Adult ASD assessment services for patients registered with GP practices in Doncaster and Bassetlaw are commissioned and delivered by specialist mental health providers, rather than the acute hospital trust. As a result, DBTH does **not** hold information relating to adult ASD assessment waiting lists, longest waiting times, or average waiting times.

Accordingly, in response to your questions:

1. **How many patients are on your waiting list today?**  
*Information not held.*
2. **What is the longest waiting time for patients on your waiting list?**  
*Information not held.*
3. **What is the average waiting time for patients on your waiting list?**  
*Information not held.*

Under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (Advice and Assistance), you may wish to direct your enquiry to Rotherham Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust (RDaSH), which provides adult neurodevelopmental services, or to the relevant Integrated Care Board (ICB), who commission these services.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to

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If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

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Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
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Cheshire  
SK9 5AF  
Tel: 0303 123 1113  
Website: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/>