

## Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

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### Question/s to be answered

1. How many adults you have with a diagnosis of autistic spectrum disorder (any, although if there are separate statistics for Asperger's, HFA, LFA, they would be appreciated) in your area;

NHS Shetland does not hold information about adults

2. How many children;

in the age groups 0-5, 6-11, 12-15, 15-18 in the years 2009, 2010, 2011

2010 age 6-11 = 1

2011 age 6-11 = 2

2011 age 12-15 = 3

3. What diagnostic services are available to a) adults and b) children;

b) For children ASD diagnosis.

ASD Specific History Taking

Clinical Observation

Speech and Language Assessment (e.g. test of pragmatic language, CELF 4, pre-school CELF)

Contextual and Functional Information Gathering (e.g. pragmatics profile)

ASD specific instruments (e.g. Gillam Autism Rating Scale)

Use the DSMV Criteria

4. What agencies or teams you have that work with autistic people, provide support/services, strategise, etc.

NHS team includes CAMHS team, Paediatrics, SLT, OT. Local Authority Schools Service including Specialist Outreach Teacher, Educational Psychology, ASN Teachers, Preschool Home Visiting Teacher and Social Work Department.

5. An email address/website for each of these agencies or teams where possible.

Speech and Language Therapy Department: [shet-hb.SpeechDepartment@nhs.net](mailto:shet-hb.SpeechDepartment@nhs.net)

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Social Work Department: [social.work@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:social.work@shetland.gov.uk)

6. What the typical process should be for an adult in your area first asking their GP for an assessment for autistic spectrum disorder to receiving a diagnosis/support.

There are no services locally specialising in diagnosis of Adult autistic spectrum disorder. If a GP sees a patient requiring off island treatment they would send a referral letter to the Director of Public Health proposing a care assessment plan with a specified provider. The Director of Public Health would review the case and act accordingly.