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**NHS Wakefield District Freedom of Information Request – 12-165**

**FAO: Sarah McCulloch**

**Dear Sarah**

Thank you for your email dated 22 June 2012 making a Freedom of Information Request regarding NHS Wakefield District.

In response to your request, below is the relevant information.

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;

**Wakefield registered Adult Atypical Autism in 11/12**

**5**

1. How many children;

**Wakefield registered Childhood Autism in 11/12**

**63**

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

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

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

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.

**Q 3-4 : NHS Wakefield District will be working to answer these questions as we move to implement our local autism strategy and in light of the newly published NICE documentation, but we do not have the answers at this stage.**

I hope that you find this information useful.

I trust we have responded to your request appropriately. However, if you are unhappy with this response please contact me in the first instance.

If you have any further concerns about our response you may wish to contact the Information Commissioner [www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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