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By email
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Dear Sarah McCulloch

Re: Request for information under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received on 22 June 2012. You requested the following 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;**
Please see attachments 1 & 2
- 2. How many children;**
Please see attachment 3
- 3. What diagnostic services are available to a) adults**
Please see attachments 1 & 2
and b) children;
Please see attachment 3
- 4. What agencies or teams you have that work with autistic people, provide support/services, strategise, etc.**
Please see attached information
- 5. An email address/website for each of these agencies or teams where possible.**
Please see attached information
- 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.**
Please see information in attachment 2 – service leaflet (adult) and attachment 4 – neuro development pathway (children and young people)

Please be aware that although this information is accurate at the time it is provided, it may not be in the future and should not be relied upon.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, your request will form part of our disclosure log within our Publication Scheme. Therefore, a version of our response, which will protect your anonymity, will be posted on the Worcestershire Health and Care Trust website.

Please note that any information we provide following your request under the Freedom of Information Act will not confer an automatic right for you to re-use that information, for example to publish it. If you wish to re-use the information you have requested, in whole or in part, please write to me stating the purpose(s) you wish to re-use the information for. We will respond within 20 working days of receiving

your request with any conditions or charges that relate to the re-use of the information. These will be determined in line with the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2005 (SI 2005 No. 1515).

I trust this matter has been dealt with to your satisfaction but if there is anything on which you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01905 681425 or by email. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Patient Relations Department, Worcestershire Health and Care Trust, Isaac Maddox House, Worcester WR4 9RW.

If you are still unhappy following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the Trust's internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk.

The Information Commissioner's address is:- Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

FOI Co-ordinator
Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust

We would be grateful if you take a minute to fill out our Freedom of Information Satisfaction Questionnaire and let us know about your experience. This can be accessed by following the link below:

<http://www.hacw.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information/foi-satisfaction-questionnaire.aspx>