

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/095**  
**ADHD**

**Information Requested:**

**I would like to make an application under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information: (please provide a breakdown from each of 2019 to 2022 calendar years, for each Community Mental Health Team in Cardiff and the Vale.)**

**1. The total number of referrals made to each Community Mental Health Team in Cardiff and the Vale for assessment for adult Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder**

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees' regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.

However, under Section 16, which provides us with the duty to advise and assist, the UHB can inform you that we started collecting numbers universally in 2022, therefore please see below data for 2022-23.

	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
<b>Total</b>	125	139	147	158	143	189	165	152	166

**2. The total number of referrals for assessments for adult ADHD accepted by each Community Mental Health Team each year (and the total number of referrals for which each CMHT declined to assess)**

The UHB believes that Section 12 applies here, please see the exemption set out in response to question 1.

**3. The total number of positive diagnoses for adult ADHD by each Community Mental Health Team each year in adults aged 18+**

The UHB believes that Section 12 applies here, please see the exemption set out in response to question 1.

**4. The total number of new adult referrals to each CMHT per year for all reasons, and the number of these which were accepted by/declined by the CMHT in adults aged 18+**

The UHB believes that Section 12 applies here, please see the exemption set out in response to question 1.

However, under Section 16, which provides us with the duty to advise and assist, please see the below information on the accepted referrals.

	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
<b>CMHT total ref</b>	713	634	655	704	676	710	716	566	693

Please note – Accepted referrals were not necessarily made in that year, it's the year they were accepted not the date of referral. The process of assessment can take over a month before a decision to accept or reject as unsuitable is made.

Historic referrals below and acceptance per year.

