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Response Due: 14th November 2024

Date: 14th November 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 17th October 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Can you provide any data surrounding the number of diagnosis given and the ages when they are referred in, split into male and female please?

I have realised that some schools are referring pupils in for SEMH, some for Communication and Interaction and only a few for possible ND reasons.

It would be interesting to see if we have any spikes in referrals to the pathway due to ages, and especially if there are any patterns for secondary age pupils.

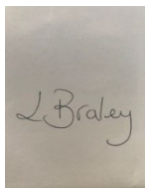
We do not need any personal details, just ages and gender.

Unfortunately, the Trust is not able to collate the number of diagnoses for ASD as this is not currently recorded within the system. However, we have provided the number of accepted referrals into the Neurodevelopment Pathway for the 2023/24 financial year.

Age group	Male	Female	Total
<4 years	46	20	66
4 - 11 years	620	363	983
12 - 16 years	205	249	454
16+ years	7	30	37
Total:			1540

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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Lynne Braley
Director of Operations & Performance – Community Division

PLEASE NOTE:

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: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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