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Dear

### Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2024. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

#### ***Requested information:***

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request information regarding the outsourcing and insourcing arrangements for ADHD and Autism assessments within your NHS Trust.

Specifically, I would like to know:

1. Which private healthcare providers are currently contracted to deliver ADHD and Autism assessments?

**The Trust has contracted one private healthcare provider, (Psicon), to deliver CYP ASD assessments as a short-term response to the demand on the service.**

2. Are there any insourcing arrangements in place for these assessments? If so, which providers are used? **N/A**
3. Details on the scope and duration of these contracts or agreements. **106 assessments to be completed within the financial year.**
4. Any available performance metrics or evaluation reports related to these outsourced or insourced services. **This cannot be shared until the contract is fulfilled.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office,  
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



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