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Dear Requestor

Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

On 28 May 2019 you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act, relating to adult diagnosis/assessment of neurodivergent conditions. I now provide this information as an attachment.

I trust that this is the information you require and that your request has been fully discharged.

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If you have queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Paddy Baker

Data Protection Officer

NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group

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Q1:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please can you inform me whether NHS Dorset CCG commissions services that provide a diagnostic pathway for adults for the below named conditions:

- (a) Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- (b) Dyscalculia
- (c) Dyslexia
- (d) Dyspraxia (sometimes referred to as Developmental Co-ordination Disorder)

Response:

NHS Dorset CCG does not commission pathways for these areas. Adults who have ADHD and require medication access this through Community Mental Health Teams.

Q2:

If diagnostic pathways are not funded for any of the above named conditions, I would be grateful if you could inform me what NHS Dorset CCG's standard advice is to General Practitioners who wish to make a referral for adult diagnostic/assessment services for each such condition.

Response:

NHS Dorset CCG do not have a standard response in place for General Practitioners who wish to make a referral for adult diagnostic/assessment services for each such condition

Q3:

If relevant figures are readily held, please can you inform me (i) how many referrals for adult diagnostic/assessment services for each of the above named conditions* have been funded by NHS Dorset CCG in the last three years,** (ii) how many diagnoses have been made for each named condition over the last three years, and (iii) what the gender breakdown of both the responses to (i) and (ii) were.

Response:

NHS Dorset CCG does not hold this information.