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Dear Mr Brady

## **RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST**

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018 by NHS Canterbury and Coastal Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

Could you provide details of whether a specific diagnostic pathway for children exists within your CCG for each of the following conditions:

- 1) Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
- 2) Autism Spectrum Disorder
- 3) Developmental Coordination Disorder/Developmental Dyspraxia
- 4) Developmental Dyscalculia
- 5) Developmental Dyslexia
- 6) Specific language impairment/Developmental language disorder

If a diagnostic pathway exists could you provide further details of that pathway?

For each of the above conditions, if a diagnostic pathway exists, could you provide the following details for the last 5 years, broken down by year:

- 1) The number of children who were referred and the number who were diagnosed
- 2) The average (both mean and median if available, if not please specify which), minimum, and maximum wait time between referral and diagnosis

I can confirm NHS Canterbury and Coastal CCG does not hold this information. You may wish to redirect your request to the providers of the service, a list services and the



providers can be found on NHS Choices by using the following link: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/pages/home.aspx">https://www.nhs.uk/pages/home.aspx</a>

We hope that this has dealt with your request for information however, should you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to request that we conduct an internal review of the way we have handled your request. If you would like us to conduct such a review please contact us within two months of this letter:

Email NELCSU.foi@nhs.net or

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Your request for an internal review will then be processed in accordance with our Freedom of Information Policy.

If you are still dissatisfied following the internal review, you have the right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner provides full and detailed guidance on the Freedom of Information Act and on when and how to complain.

Please find below the link to their website page and their helpline number.

https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745

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. Therefore, a version of our response, which will protect your anonymity, will be posted on the NHS Canterbury and Coastal Clinical Commissioning Group website.

Yours sincerely

## Freedom of Information Team NEL CSU

This Freedom of Information request has been processed by NEL CSU on behalf of

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