

**Reference:** FOI.ICB-2324/120

**Subject:** ADHD – Right to choose providers

*I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:*

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>If you are registered with a GP surgery in England and you are referred by a GP to a consultant or specialist in mental health, you have the legal right to choose the organisation (qualified provider) to whom you are referred, as long as that organisation is providing that service in another part of England.</p>	<p>Patient choice applies if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the patient has an elective referral for a first outpatient appointment</li><li>the patient is referred by a GP</li><li>the referral is clinically appropriate</li><li>the service and team are led by a consultant or a mental healthcare professional</li><li>the provider has a commissioning contract with any Integrated Care Board (ICB) or NHS England for the required service</li></ul> <p>A first outpatient appointment is described as - A patient's first appointment with their chosen provider at the start of their new episode of care following a referral by a GP</p>
<p>Can you tell me under the NHS right to choose agenda how many individuals since 2021 have chosen to receive an assessment and or treatment for ADHD from a provider other than your commissioned provider</p>	<p>Due to service users accessing ADHD assessments under Right to Choose. We do not hold this information. There is no requirement to seek funding approval for an assessment and therefore GPs are able to refer directly to the provider.</p>

Could you also tell me the total value spent on these ADHD private providers since 2021	<b>Financial Year 2021/22 = £801,779</b> <b>Financial Year 2022/23 = £2,095,049</b> <b>Financial Year 2023/24 = £338,598 (YTD at end of May)</b>
---	--

***The information provided in this response is accurate as of 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023 and has been approved for release by Jon Lund, Deputy Chief Finance Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.***