

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

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Question/s to be answered

1. Please tell me how many people under the age of 18 and how many people over the age of 18 were diagnosed with ADHD in your health board each of the last five full financial years (2017-18 through to 2021-22)

Up to 18:

2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
4	1	4	3	8

These figures are from the current caseloads of CAMHS and Children's Outpatient Department only so do not reflect the total number of diagnoses, as we do not keep records of this. Diagnoses are also made by Educational Psychologists for Shetland Island Council but not included in this response.

Over 18:

2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22

Under FOISA s 12(1), NHS Shetland is not obliged to comply with a request if the estimated cost of doing so exceeds £600. Having reviewed your request, NHS Shetland has determined that the cost of compliance would exceed £600 and so is unable to provide the information requested; we have provided a breakdown of the estimated costs below:

We would need to open every individual patients notes from 2017 – 2022 (approx. 5000) to see what diagnosis has been assigned to that patient.

We are obliged to calculate on a cost of £15 / hour with a projected cost cap of £600.

5000 records x 10 minutes ÷ 60 minutes = approximately 830 hours

830 hours x £15 = £12,450

Moving forward, NHS Shetland is planning to hold specific ADHD clinics for individuals who have been referred for an assessment. We will then be capturing the diagnosis.