

Reference: FOI.ICB-2526/433

Subject: Shared Care Agreements (Autism and ADHD)

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

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>I would be grateful if you could provide the following information in relation to GP practices within your Integrated Care Board (ICB) area:</p>	
<p>1. Shared Care Agreements – Autism</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The total number of GP practices within your ICB area. b. The number of GP practices currently operating under any form of shared care agreement (SCA) relating to autism. c. Of those, how many shared care agreements include prescribing of medication. d. A breakdown of the type of shared care provided (for example: medication prescribing, physical health monitoring, behavioural support, or other specified responsibilities). 	<p>a. 71 Practices within BNSSG b-d. BNSSG do not have any shared care agreements for Autism</p>
<p>2. Shared Care Agreements – ADHD (Private Diagnosis Context)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The total number of shared care agreements requested in relation to ADHD diagnoses made by 	<p>The ICB does not hold this information. This information may be held by the providers.</p>

<p>private providers within the last five years (if available).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. The number of GP practices currently operating under any form of shared care agreement (SCA) relating to ADHD. c. A breakdown of the shared care provided including medication prescribing and behavioural support. d. The number of those requests that were accepted. e. The number and of those requests that were refused. f. The proportion (percentage) of shared care requests relating to private ADHD diagnoses that were refused. g. If recorded, the most common reasons for refusal. h. If recorded, the number of complaints from each GP trust 	
<p>3. Policy Framework</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. A copy of any current ICB policy, guidance, or position statements regarding shared care agreements for autism and/or ADHD. b. Confirmation of whether GP participation in shared care agreements within your ICB area is mandatory, recommended, or voluntary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Shared care protocols for adult ADHD medications can be found here: https://remedy.bnssg.icb.nhs.uk/formulary-adult/scps/scps/ Shared care protocols for Children’s ADHD medications can be found here: https://remedy.bnssg.icb.nhs.uk/formulary-paediatric/paediatric-shared-care-protocols/scps/ b. Shared care is a voluntary arrangement between a specialist, a GP and the patient.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 5 March 2026 and has been approved for release by Dr Geeta Iyer, Deputy Chief Medical Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.