

Reference: FOI.ICB-2627/065

Subject: Neurodevelopmental Diagnostic Conversion Rates (NHS vs. Right to Choose)

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

QUESTION	RESPONSE
Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following data regarding ADHD and Autism (ASD) diagnostic services within this ICB for the financial year 2025/26 (to date) [and 2024/25 if available].	
I see that in the FOI response BNSSG ICB (FOI.ICB-2526/333) your response showed a significant disparity in conversion rates - around 90 per cent for RTC providers versus 30 to 50 per cent in local services.	
My understanding is that the government mandated that ICBs should record diagnosis rates accurately from 2025, including the percentage of people assessed who received a diagnosis of ADHD and autism . All contracted providers under RTC are required to submit outcome-based coding (diagnoses and discharges) by Autumn 2025.	
Please provide this in an editable format (Excel/CSV).	
Could I possibly get more detail about this please? Ideally:	
1. Locally Commissioned NHS Services For your primary NHS-commissioned providers (Trust-led services), please provide the 'conversion rate' (the percentage of completed assessments that resulted in a formal diagnosis) for: a) Children & Young People (CYP) Autism	Locally, the ICB is working with providers to improve the completeness and quality of outcome data (including diagnosis and discharge) in the Mental Health Services Dataset (MHSDS). However, this remains a developing area.

b) Children & Young People (CYP) ADHD c) Adult Autism d) Adult ADHD	Due to the known data completeness issues within MHSDS, the ICB is not able to calculate diagnosis conversion rates for the locally commissioned services. Providers may be able to support this request directly.
2. Right to Choose (RTC) / Independent Providers For assessments funded by the ICB via the 'Right to Choose' pathway, please provide the aggregate 'conversion rate' for: a) CYP Autism b) CYP ADHD c) Adult Autism d) Adult ADHD <i>Note: If your records for RTC providers do not distinguish between age groups, please provide the total aggregate conversion rate for the condition regardless of age (e.g., Autism all-ages).</i>	The ICB holds partial data returns from a subset of Right to Choose providers. This data is not complete across all providers, or age group splits, and should therefore be interpreted with caution. Based on 2025/26 data submitted by a proportion of providers (not all), the following indicative conversion rates are available for ADHD only: - Adult ADHD: approximately 91% - CYP ADHD: approximately 71% The ICB does not hold sufficiently complete data for Autism (CYP or Adult) within RTC pathways to provide conversion rates.
3. Raw Data: If a calculated percentage is not held, please provide the disaggregated raw volume data: a) Total number of diagnostic assessments completed. b) Total number of positive diagnoses issued. (Please provide this breakdown by Local NHS Providers vs. Independent/RTC Providers).	Please see above.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 16 June 2026 and has been approved for release by Jenny Bowker, Deputy Director of Performance Delivery, Primary Care and Children's Services and Caroline Dawe, Deputy Director of Performance and Delivery, Acute and Integrated Care, MHLDA and EPRR for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.

