

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_237_18

You asked:

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information with regards to Autism referral waiting times:

For each of the following, can you please provide information for the last three financial years (2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18), or if this is not possible, as much/recent information as is held.

1. Children:

- a. Total number of children accepted for assessment services on waiting list for first assessment appointment.
- b. Number of children accepted for assessment services on waiting list for first assessment appointment who have been waiting 13 to 25 weeks.
- c. Number of children accepted for assessment services on waiting list referral to first assessment appointment who have been waiting 26 weeks.

2. Adults:

- a. Total number of adults accepted for assessment services on waiting list referral to first assessment appointment.
- b. Number of adults accepted for assessment services on waiting list referral to first assessment appointment who have been waiting 13 to 25 weeks.
- c. Number of adults accepted for assessment services on waiting list referral to first assessment appointment who have been waiting 26 weeks.

If not all this information is available can you please provide any relevant information on individuals that is held in these areas.

If none of this information is available can you please provide any information that is being collected for the Welsh Government under Autistic Spectrum Strategic Action Plan in relation to the number of children on waiting lists for first appointment for over 26 weeks.

Our response:

1. Children:

Year	Total Children	Waiting 13 – 25 weeks	Waiting 26 weeks
2015 – 16	N/A	N/A	N/A
2016 – 17	180	35	No data
2017 - 18	563	360	39

Please note the information provided relates to the newly established Neurodevelopment team. Prior to this referrals would have gone to Paediatrics, CAMHS etc but were not coded therefore, we are unable to provide any further data.

2. Adults:

Autism Referrals Waiting Times - Adult Mental Health Services			
Years	Total Number of Referrals	Referrals to 1st Assessment 13-25 weeks	Referrals to 1st Assessment 26 weeks
2015-16	29	19	3
2016-17	88	50	22
2017-18	93	16	61