

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_381_21

You asked:

If you could break the response down separately for children and adults, it would be much appreciated.

Please provide the following information about autism waiting times:

1. The total number of people on waiting lists;

- a. There are currently 547 children on the waiting list for assessment of possible Autism. However, there is only one waiting list kept for both Autism and ADHD referrals into the Neurodevelopmental Service, all of which are seen in date order from the date the referral was received. This means that although there are 547 children waiting for an assessment of Autism, there are also another 434 awaiting assessment of ADHD on the same routine waiting list.
- b. There is currently 234 Adults on the waiting list for assessment of possible Autism. 24 Adults waiting for Support and 126 Adults awaiting Intervention.

2. The average waiting time from referral to assessment, as well as the longest recorded waiting time.

- a. The average waiting time for Children from referral to assessment is 34 weeks. Our longest wait time is currently 92 weeks, with COVID-19 impacting on the waiting times due to restrictions around face to face appointments.
- b. The average waiting time for Adults from referral to assessment is 96 weeks. Our longest wait time is currently 100 weeks.