

## **Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB\_202\_23**

### **You asked:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) and in relation to disabled children's Occupational Therapy (OT) services provided in your area (Bridgend), I would be grateful if you could provide the following information to us:

For the following two periods:

- 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 and
- 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

1) What was the average timeframe from referral of a disabled child to the Occupational Therapy service to the comprehensive assessment of their needs by an Occupational Therapist?

From the date of receipt of this request:

2) How many disabled children are currently waiting for an assessment?

3) After being referred, what is the longest waiting time that a disabled child is currently waiting for an assessment?

### **Our response:**

Please see response provided below, noting the following:

- Child – 0-18 years.
- Disabled – this would not be indicated on referral so have taken this to mean all referrals of a child.
- Comprehensive assessment of need – taken to mean date at which child is first seen by a Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) registered Occupational Therapist (OT).

**1) What was the average timeframe from referral of a disabled child to the Occupational Therapy service to the comprehensive assessment of their needs by an Occupational Therapist?**

1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 - 98.02 days, 14.00 weeks

1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 - 103.89 days, 14.84 weeks

**2) How many disabled children are currently waiting for an assessment?**

12 children were waiting (as of 15/05/23).

**3) After being referred, what is the longest waiting time that a disabled child is currently waiting for an assessment?**

The longest wait was 12 weeks (as of 15/05/23).