

**20 April 2023**

## **Adult Care Waiting Times**

**The median time (in days) taken to assess a referral made to adult social services for an assessment of needs. Please include new referrals as well as re-assessment of existing clients.**

Please see table below which details figures for Learning Disability.

To obtain any further information, for Older People's Services or Mental Health Services, would involve looking at each referral individually to do a manual count. The Trust considers that the cost of retrieving that information would be above the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined by the FOI Act under Section 12. Section 12 makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit. The limit has been specified as £450 for public authorities such as Belfast Trust. This represents the cost of one or more person spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.

**The single longest wait (in days) taken to assess an individual after a referral to adult social services. Please include new referrals as well as reassessments. This should include any support package, whether delivered directly by social services or commissioned by them in any other way.**

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**The median time (in days) taken between the completion of assessment and the start of a service identified within their care and support. Please include new referrals as well as re-assessment of existing clients.**

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Older Peoples Services: 812 days (Package less than 5 hours in Nov 22)

Physical Disability Services: 648 days (Package less than 5 hours March 23)

To obtain information for Mental Health Services would involve looking at each referral individually to do a manual count. The Trust considers that the cost of retrieving that information would be above the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined by the FOI Act under Section 12. Section 12 makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit. The limit has been specified as £450 for public authorities such as Belfast Trust. This represents the cost of one or more person spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.

**The number of people who have died awaiting the start of an initial package of social care in 2022/23.**

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The table below details Learning Disability Social Care Wait Times

	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2022/23</b>
<b>The median time (in days) taken to assess an individual after a referral to adult social services. Please include new referrals as well as reassessment of existing clients.</b>	234	252
<b>The Single longest wait (in days) to assess an individual after a referral to adult social services. Please include new referrals as well as reassessments. This should include any support package, whether delivered directly by social services or commissioned by them in any other way.</b>	365	365
<b>The median time (in days) taken between the completion of assessment and the start of a service identified within their care and support. Please include new referrals as well as reassessment of existing clients.</b>	250	189
<b>The Single longest wait (in days) between the completion of assessment and the start of a service identified within their care and support. This should include any support package, whether delivered directly by social services or commissioned by them in any other way.</b>	700	600
<b>The number of people who have died awaiting the start of an initial package of social care.</b>	0	0