

06 March 2024

ADHD Assessments Children and Adults

Please see below the response to this FOI from the Paediatric service:

- 1. Do you provide ADHD assessments?
Please specify if this is for children, adults or both.**

The Trust provides ADHD assessments for children.

- 2. How many people are currently on your waiting list for ADHD assessments?
Please break this down between children and adults.**

There are 1136 children on the waiting list.

- 3. How many assessments have you carried out every calendar year between 2018 and 2023?
If possible, please break this down between children and adults.**

The paediatric service do not routinely collate the information needed to respond to this question and an extensive trawl of patient notes and clinic diaries would be required to do so. To undertake this exercise would involve a significant number of hours. This would exceed the costs limit specified in the FOI act.

- 4. How many ADHD referrals did you receive each calendar year between 2018 and 2023?
Please break this down between children and adults.**

- 5. How many ADHD referrals did you accept each calendar year between 2018 and 2023?
Please break this down between children and adults.**

Paediatric service response to Q4 & Q5:

The total number of paediatric referrals received by the Trust by Year and the number accepted for the service based on the referral criteria, are listed in the following table:

Year	Total Referrals Received	Total Accepted
2018	3	3
2019	626	373
2020	500	279
2021	653	379

06 March 2024

2022	796	511
2023*	760	572
Grand Total	3338	2117

*Figures are for year to date October 2023

6. What is the (mean) average time patients wait between referral and an assessment for ADHD for each calendar year between 2018 and 2023? If possible, please break this down between children and adults.

The average waiting time for a routine appointment is 4 years for children.

Please see below the response to this FOI from the Adult service:

**1. Do you provide ADHD assessments?
 Please specify if this is for children, adults or both.**

Yes, adults only

**2. How many people are currently on your waiting list for ADHD assessments?
 Please break this down between children and adults.**

2640 Adult only

**3. How many assessments have you carried out every calendar year between 2018 and 2023?
 If possible, please break this down between children and adults.**

The data is a combination of new and review appointments, and in its current format does not support accurate delineation.

**4. How many ADHD referrals did you receive each calendar year between 2018 and 2023?
 Please break this down between children and adults.**

The ADHD service did not commence until Sept 2019

2019 = 125

2020 = 239

2021 = 443

2022 = 726

2023 = 972

06 March 2024

- 5. How many ADHD referrals did you accept each calendar year between 2018 and 2023?**

Please break this down between children and adults.

All referrals are accepted if an ADHD assessment was requested.

- 6. What is the (mean) average time patients wait between referral and an assessment for ADHD for each calendar year between 2018 and 2023? If possible, please break this down between children and adults.**

This data is not captured in a way that will facilitate the above request