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CAMHS services referrals

1. How many referrals were made to your CAMHS services from 2018-2024? Please give individual figures for each year.

Belfast Trust provides Community CAMHS services for children and young people aged 0-18 years residing in both Belfast Trust and South Eastern Trust areas. Belfast Trust also provides 2 regional CAMHS services – KOI (gender identity service) and the regional Family Trauma Centre service. The figures attached relate to referrals received by all of the CAMHS services managed by Belfast Trust in the periods specified.

| 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 5643 | 6132 | 5691 | 6395 | 6190 | 5672 | |

- 2) How many (already) diagnosed autistic children/teenagers were referred to your CAMHS services from 2018-2024? Please give individual figures for each year.

- a. If possible, could you also please provide the proportion (%) these referrals made up of the total number of referrals each year?

This information is not currently collated by Belfast Trust.

- 3) How many referrals were 'rejected' (i.e. not accepted by CAMHS/referred to another service) from 2018-2024? Please give individual figures for each year.

If possible, could you also please provide information on why the referrals were rejected?

- a. Belfast Trust provides Community CAMHS services for children and young people aged 0-18 years residing in both Belfast Trust and South Eastern Trust areas. Belfast Trust also provides 2 regional CAMHS services – KOI (gender identity service) and the regional Family Trauma Centre service. The figures attached relate to referrals not accepted by all of the CAMHS services managed by Belfast Trust in the periods specified.

| 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
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| 1599 | 1925 | 1874 | 2267 | 2347 | 2090 | |

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A breakdown of information on reasons for referrals not being accepted by CAMHS is not available within the information system used by Belfast Trust.

4) How many referrals of diagnosed autistic children/teenagers were 'rejected' from 2018-2024? Please give individual figures for each year.

- a. If possible, could you also provide the proportion (%) these rejections made up of the total number of rejections for each year please.**

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