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> > Our Ref: FOI/04690

Thank you for your request concerning Neurodevelopmental Services.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

1: The number of referrals in to your neurodevelopmental services for young people for 2017, 2021 and 2022.

2017	2021	2022
93	345	713

2: The average wait in weeks for a first assessment/appointment within your neurodevelopmental services for young people for 2017, 2021 and 2022.

2017	2021	2022
7	36	65

3: The number of young people waiting for a neurodevelopmental assessment as of the date of this request or the nearest available date please.

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4: The number of young people referred to your neurodevelopmental services who were discharged without an assessment or treatment for 2017, 2021 and 2022 please.

2017	2021	2022
7	5 or less	5 or less

Due to the small numbers of young people being referred and discharged without an assessment we have applied Exemption Section 40(2). This is because entries of 5 or less are considered sufficiently small enough to be potentially identifiable data. On this basis, this information is exempt from the duty to publish.





We would also like to point out that all referrals received are triaged at the point of first contact so that they can be directed to the most appropriate service. For cases where the Trust does not provide the required service or service users do not meet the eligibility criteria, our assessment team provide advice on the most appropriate service or source of support and advice.

5: The longest wait in weeks of any young person awaiting a first appointment with your neurodevelopmental services as of the date of this request or nearest available date.

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Across Hertfordshire, there is currently a significant wait for CAMHS ADHD assessments. We are working with our commissioners and partners to improve the situation for local families

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

Sue Smith Information Rights Officer

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click <u>here</u>.

