FOI Response – Waiting times for patients at CAMHS

Under the Freedom of Information Act, we would like to make a request regarding the waiting times for specialist multi-disciplinary (Tier 3)* community Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

WAIT TO ASSESSMENT

Notes (for questions 2-5):
Please note, we are interested in actual waiting times rather than target waiting times.
If you only have data available in weeks or months, please provide details of how many days you consider to be in a week or month for the purposes of your calculations.
Ideally, we would like data for the primary reason for referral, if you do not record reason for referral, please state this in your response.
If there are several reasons for referral, multiple counts are allowed, please state if this is the case in your response.
If you only have some of this data we would prefer a partial response than no response.

2. What is your minimum, maximum and median waiting times from the date referral received to initial appointment with healthcare professional (this includes a CHOICE or triage appointment and/or telephone or video call assessments)?

Data based on total number of referrals

Year	Min waiting time (in days)	Max waiting time (in days)	Median waiting time (in days)	Total number of referrals received
01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021	0		23	1969

WAIT TO TREATMENT

3. What is your minimum, maximum and median waiting times from the date referral received to start of treatment, based on the total number of referrals?
NB. If you base start to treatment on anything other than 2nd appointment, please state below what you identify as start of treatment.

Data based on total number of referrals

Year	Min waiting time (in days)	Max waiting time (in days)	Median waiting time (in days)	Total number of referrals received
01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021	0		59	1969

4. what is your minimum, maximum and median waiting times from the date referral received to initial appointment with healthcare professional (this includes a CHOICE or triage appointment and/or telephone or video call assessments) broken down by primary reason for referral?

Data based on main presenting problem or reason for referral to CAMHS service

Primary reason for referral	Min waiting time (in days)	Max waiting time (in days)	Median waiting time (in days)	Total number of referrals received during this year
Anger/Conduct Disorders	0		28	202
Anxiety	0		24.5	1069
Low Mood/Depression	0		21	355
Other	0		16.5	343

5. In the financial year 2020/2021, what is your minimum, maximum and median waiting times from the date referral received to start of treatment, broken down by primary reason for referral?

Data based on main presenting problem or reason for referral to CAMHS service

Primary reason for referral	Min waiting time (in days)	Max waiting time (in days)	Median waiting time (in days)	Total number of referrals received during this year
Anger/Conduct Disorders	0		99	202
Anxiety	0		72	1069
Low Mood/Depression	0		49	355
Other	0		29.5	343