

## FOI 0289/2023 Response

### **\*\*\*NOTE Background Information:**

Please note that Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust, Barnardo's, and Autism West Midlands work together to provide emotional wellbeing and mental health services for children and young people in Solihull within our Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (Solar).

We provide multi-disciplinary assessment and treatment of children and young people with mental health or severe emotional and behavioural difficulties. The service currently accepts children and young people, until their 19th birthday, who are residents in the borough of Solihull, go to school or college in the Solihull area, or have a Solihull GP.

For information on children and young people in receipt of CAMHS services in Birmingham, please redirect your request to Forward Thinking Birmingham Service which is hosted by Birmingham Women's and Children's Trust.

**1: The number of young people on your waiting list for a first appointment and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017. A snapshot for a single day in February for those days but also an annual number of referrals for those years in whatever way you record them please if possible.**

Snapshot Date	Waiting List Size
06/02/2023	819
06/02/2021	144
06/02/2017	200

**\*\*\*NOTE:** see response to Q2 for number of referrals.

**2: (The number of young people on your list who had an assessment but have not started any therapeutic intervention and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017.) PLEASE DISREGARD THIS QUESTION. INSTEAD ARE YOU ABLE TO TELL ME THE TOTAL NUMBER OF REFERRALS IN 2022, 2021 AND 2017?**

Year	Number of Referrals
2022	3458
2021	3460
2017	2957

**3: The average length of time young people are waiting for a first appointment and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017. Are you able to give a snapshot of the average wait time now, plus the average wait time in 2021 and 2017?**

Snapshot Date	Average Wait Time For 1st Appointment (Weeks)
06/02/2023	11
06/02/2021	5
06/02/2017	8

**4: The average length of time young people are waiting between initial referral and treatment beginning and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017.**

\*\*\*NOTE: definition of 'Treatment Beginning': CYP has been taken on by the Service and has had a 2nd appointment.

Snapshot Date	Average Wait Time For 2nd Appointment (Weeks)
06/02/2023	22
06/02/2021	20
06/02/2017	22

**5: Your annual budget and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017. For CAMHS please, and the trust's budget.**

Solar Service Annual Budget (£)	
2021/22	3,656,684
2017/18	1,987,426

Please note that all budgets exclude HealthCare Income.

Trust Expenditure Budget (£)	
2021/22	292,530,799
2017/18	212,860,072

**6: How many young people referred into the service were refused treatment in 2022, 2021 and 2017.**

\*\*\*NOTE: Definition of 'refused treatment': CYP was not taken on by the Service

Year	Number of Referrals Refused by Service
2022	1712
2021	1979
2017	1778

**7: The longest time any young person has been on your current waiting list (as of the date of the receipt of this email)**

46 weeks

Please note that the above value represents the longest current wait for a 1st appointment, and the wait time is a result of 2 DNA appointments and 3 appointments that were cancelled by the child/young person's parent).