

ASD and CAMHS Waiting Times

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

To the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust,

Please could you kindly provide the following information:

For clarity, if a child was referred on 1st January and had to wait until 30th June for their assessment appointment, this would be a wait of 180 days.

If the areas covered by your ICB mean that there is more than one answer to A or B above, please provide answers for all cases.

- 1. Current typical waiting time for an ASD assessment (Autism Spectrum Disorder or Condition), for a child or young person, having been referred by a GP, health visitor, or other point of referral.*

Eastern Services: We average 85 referral per month for ASD and ADHD assessment – we are unable to distinguish number split by ADHD/ASD, the average wait time for ASD currently unbooked is 24 weeks.

Northern Services do not offer ASD assessment. ADHD assessments, historically were conducted for under 5 years only and averaged 5 referrals per month. Northern Services have just implemented ADHS +5-<18 age group, this cannot be reported on currently.

- 2. Current typical waiting time from referral to CAMHS/CYPHMS to first appointment, for a child or young person.*

Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust does not hold this information. The Devon Partnership NHS Trust (DPT) hold the CAMHS referrals for children and young people's mental health services, their contact details can be found via the link <https://www.dpt.nhs.uk/>