

Reference:	FOI.11398.23
Subject:	Autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) waiting times
Date of Request:	29 March 2023

Requested:

1. The current waiting time (in weeks) for children referred for an assessment for autism as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
2. The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for autism as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
3. The current waiting time (in weeks) for children referred for an assessment for ADHD as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
4. The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for ADHD as of Monday, 29 March 2023.
5. Does your health board have a specialist budget allocated for the following conditions:
 - Autism, or Autism Spectrum Conditions
 - ADHD: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, or ADD: Attention Deficit Disorder
 - Dyscalculia
 - Dyslexia
 - Dyspraxia, or Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD)
 - Tourette's Syndrome
6. If yes to question 6, how much of your budget is allocated to each of the above for 2023.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that the average waiting time for children referred for an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) assessment was seventy four (74) weeks, as at 29 March 2023.
2. The UHB confirms that the average waiting time for adults referred for an ASD assessment was seventy six (76) weeks, as at 29 March 2023.
3. The UHB is unable to provide the information exactly as requested as the system used within this service records information in a different format and the data for March is not available at the date of your request. Therefore, the UHB provides, within the table below, the number of children referred for an ADHD assessment and the weeks waiting, as at 28 February 2023.

Number of weeks waiting	Number of patients
Up to and including 11 weeks	63
12 - 17 weeks	27
18 - 25 weeks	16
26 - 35 weeks	33
36 - 51 weeks	29
52 weeks and over	264

4. The UHB confirms that the average waiting time for adults referred for an ADHD assessment was fifty eight (58) weeks, as at 29 March 2023.
5. The UHB confirms that it has a specialist budget allocated for adult and children's ASD and adult ADHD services. The UHB does not have a specialist budget allocated for Dyscalculia, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia/ Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD) or Tourette's Syndrome; the budget for these specialties are incorporated into the relevant teams' overall budget.
6. The UHB provides, within the table below, the budget allocation to each of the adult and children's ASD and adult ADHD services, for the 2023/24 financial year.

Service	Budget
Adult ASD	£333,071.04
Childrens ASD	£591,729.12
Adult ADHD	£77,571.00