

Reference:	FOI.14223.24
Subject:	Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) waiting times
Date of Request:	16 April 2024

Requested:

Information request for up to date figures to today's date, as per your FOI Reference 11398.23.

1. The current waiting time (in weeks) for children referred for an assessment for autism as of Tuesday, 16th April 2024.
2. The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for autism as of Tuesday, 16th April 2024.
3. The current waiting time (in weeks) for children referred for an assessment for ADHD as of Tuesday, 16th April 2024.
4. The current waiting time (in weeks) for adults referred for an assessment for ADHD as of Tuesday, 16th April 2024.
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 2024.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide the information exactly as requested, as the systems used only have validated data to 31 March 2024.

1. The UHB confirms that the average waiting time for children referred for an ASD assessment was ninety-one (91) weeks, as at 31 March 2024.
2. The UHB confirms that the average waiting time for adults referred for an ASD assessment was eighty-eight (88) weeks, as at 31 March 2024.
3. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of children referred for an ADHD assessment and the number of weeks waiting, as at 31 March 2024.

Number of weeks waiting	Number of patients
Up to and including 11 weeks	135
12 - 17 weeks	51
18 - 25 weeks	55

26 - 35 weeks	30
36 - 51 weeks	57
52 weeks and over	185

4. The UHB confirms that the average waiting time for adults referred for an ADHD assessment was seventy-five (75) weeks, as at 31 March 2024.
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 children's ADHD, Dyscalculia, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia/Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD) or Tourette's Syndrome; the budget for these specialties are incorporated into the overall budget of the relevant teams.
6. The budget allocation for the UHB's adult and children's ASD and adult ADHD services has not been finalised for the 2024/25 financial year. The budget allocation for the 2023/24 financial year was provided in response FOI.11398.23.