

Reference:	FOI.3995.20
Subject:	Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service waiting and referral times
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Requested:

The query relates to Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

1. Please state the average waiting time between referral of patients aged under 18 and their assessment for the periods: (please provide your answer in the number of working days)
 - a. 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018
 - b. 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019
 - c. 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020
 - d. 1 April 2020 to date

2. In the period between 1 April 2020 to 31 August 2020 please can you provide the following information on the total number of referrals of patients:
 - a. Received
 - b. Assessed and not accepted
 - c. Assessed, not accepted, and referred elsewhere

3. In the period between 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020 please can you provide the following information on the total number of referrals of patients:
 - a. Received
 - b. Assessed and not accepted
 - c. Assessed, not accepted, and referred elsewhere

4. In the period between 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019 please can you provide the following information on the total number of referrals of patients:
 - a. Received
 - b. Assessed and not accepted
 - c. Assessed, not accepted, and referred elsewhere

5. In the period between 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018 please can you provide the following information on the total number of referrals of patients:
 - a. Received
 - b. Assessed and not accepted
 - c. Assessed, not accepted, and referred elsewhere

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms the average waiting time, for patients aged under 18, between referral and assessment is twenty eight (28) days, for all the financial years to date as requested. This is the routine performance target time, the urgent referral target time is forty-eight (48) hours.

2. to 5. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of patient referrals that were received, assessed and not accepted and those that were assessed, not accepted, and referred elsewhere, for the periods requested.

Referrals	2020/21 to date	2019/20	2018/19	2017/18
Received	644	2,405	2,383	1,898
Assessed and not accepted	171	636	802	590
Assessed, not accepted, and referred elsewhere	171	636	802	590