

Our ref: IG/FOI/23.R.042

25 April 2023

Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your emailed dated 24 March 2023, following our previous response requesting clarification. I can confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and our response follows:

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Clarification Request:

I wonder if you could confirm whether the figures you provide for waiting lists and times included psychological services, ADHD assessment etc? If not, please could you send new figures including that service if you provide it?

(This is to enable the creation of an accurate national picture across the UK for a news story aimed at highlighting pressures on children's mental health services post-pandemic.)

Powys Response:

The initial response from PTHB included psychological services, however, Neurodevelopmental services had been omitted. The Neurodevelopment figures below include all accepted referrals to Child and Adolescent Psychiatry neurodevelopment sub-specialties. Please note that the service did not come into existence until April 2018 so there is no comparable data for 2017.

Q1: Please see the table below for the number of young people on the waiting list for a first appointment for 2021. This is a snapshot for a single day in February.

Date	Number Waiting
10/02/2021	166

Q2: Please see the table below for the total number of young people referrals in 2022 and 2021.

Year	Number of Referrals
2022	580
2021	228

Q3: Please see the table below for the average length of time young people are waiting for a first appointment and comparable figures for 2021.

Year	Median Wait (days)
2022	245
2021	376

Q4. Please see the table below for a snapshot of the average wait time for a first appointment as at 31/1/23:

Median Wait (days)
128

Q5: Please see the table below for the average length of time young people are waiting between initial referral and treatment beginning at 31/1/23 and comparable figures for 2021.

Year	Median Wait (days)
2022	333
2021	531

Should you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

If you are dissatisfied, with the way your request has been dealt with by PTHB, you have the right to request a review in which case you should write to:

Chief Executive
Powys Teaching Health Board Headquarters
Glasbury House
Bronllys Hospital
Bronllys
Brecon
Powys LD3 0LY

If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office - Wales
2nd Floor,
Churchill House,
Churchill Way,
Cardiff, CF10 2HH
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JL Garfitt', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Joy Garfitt
Interim Executive Director of Operations / Community and Mental Health