

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

16 March 2023

Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

## **Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I write further to your request for information which was received on 7 February 2023, to 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) Request:

I am writing to request details about your CAMHS services (community/parents and children) under the Freedom of Information Act. I wonder if you could tell me please:

- 1: The number of young people on your waiting list for a first appointment and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017.  
Please provide a snapshot for a single day in February for those years.
- 2: The total number of young people referrals in 2022, 2021, and 2017.
- 3: The average length of time young people are waiting for a first appointment and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017.
- 4: Please give a snapshot of the average wait time for a first appointment as at 31/1/23
- 5: The average length of time young people are waiting between initial referral and treatment beginning at 31/1/23 and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017.
- 6: Your (trust/board's) annual budget and CAMHS overall annual budget and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017.

Powys Response:

Q1: Please see the table below for the number of young people on the waiting list for a first appointment and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017. This is a snapshot for a single day in February for those years.

Date	Number Waiting
10/02/2023	46
10/02/2021	18
10/02/2017	4

Q2: Please see the table below for the total number of young people referrals in 2022, 2021, and 2017.

Year	Number of Referrals
2022	528
2021	503
2017	368

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 and 2017.

Year	Median Wait (days)
2022	16
2021	19
2017	5

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)
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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 and 2017.

Year	Median Wait (days)
2022	34
2021	46
2017	26

## Methodology

All Data from WPAS.

Includes all accepted referrals to CAMHS and Child & Adolescent Psychiatry with the exception of those for neurodevelopment sub-specialties.

Q6 Please see the table below for PTHB's annual budget and CAMHS overall annual budget and comparable figures for 2021 and 2017:

	<b>2017 – 18 (£'000)</b>	<b>2018 -19 (£'000)</b>	<b>2019 – 20 (£'000)</b>	<b>2020 -21 (£'000)</b>	<b>2021 – 22 (£'000)</b>
CAMHS Annual Budget	1,556	1,737	1,963	2,059	2,415
Boards Annual Budget	293,246	300,931	326,441	358,465	384,456

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Churchill House,  
Churchill Way,  
Cardiff, CF10 2HH  
Tel: 029 2067 8400 Fax 029 2067 8399  
[www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk) [twitter.com/iconews](https://twitter.com/iconews)

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb y fath ohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi. We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.

Yours sincerely



**Hayley Thomas**  
**Deputy CEO and Director of Primary Care, Community & Mental Health Services**