

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

ADHD

1. What were the average wait times between referral and the start of assessment for CYP (5+) with ADHD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ADHD service.
2. What were the average wait times between referral and the start of assessment for Adults (18+) with ADHD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT's Adult ADHD service for NE and West Essex became operational in August 2021, therefore the reported activity is for the period Aug-21 to Dec-21. EPUT is in the process of setting up an adult ADHD service for MSE but this is not yet operational.

EPUT does not currently offer ASD or ADHD services for CYP but in the South of Essex (SOS and CPR) the Lighthouse Children's Centre, which was previously under MSE Hospitals, has recently transferred to the Trust and this is where these assessments are undertaken for these areas so there will be a change going forward.

The average waiting time from referral to start of the assessment process for ADHD referrals received between Aug-21 and Dec-21 is 16 days.

3. How many CYP (5+) were on a waiting list for ADHD assessment and diagnosis between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ADHD service (see above)
4. How many Adults (18+) were on a waiting list for ADHD assessment and diagnosis between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT's Adult ADHD service started in Aug-21 and have only received referrals from this point.
5. How many referrals were received for CYP (5+) ADHD assessments between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ADHD service.
6. How many referrals were received for Adults (18+) ADHD assessments between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
The ADHD service received 170 referrals for full assessment.
7. How many assessments were carried out on average per month for CYP (5+) with ADHD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ADHD service.

8. How many assessments were carried out on average per month for Adults (18+) with ADHD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
An average of 33 assessments appointments per month were carried out between Aug-21 and Dec-21. These included both information gathering as well as specific diagnostic assessment appointments.
9. What is the cost per head for CYP (5+) ADHD assessment and diagnosis
The trust does not routinely collect this activity for costing purposes. The direct cost of clinical staff is £40.84 per contact.
10. What is the cost per head for Adults (18+)ADHD assessment and diagnosis –
The trust does not routinely collect this activity for costing purposes. The direct cost of clinical staff is £38.92 per contact.
11. What is the staff/skill mix and total WTE of staff directly involved in assessment and diagnosis for CYP(5+) with ADHD
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ADHD service.
12. What is the staff/skill mix and total WTE of staff directly involved in assessment and diagnosis for Adults (18+) with ADHD
These staff are involved directly in the assessment and diagnosis for Adults around ADHD:-
2x 1wte specialist nurses
1x 1wte Senior Psychologist
We have 2 days a week Psychiatry time into the service but input around assessment is not a core part of the process and instead is involved where a second perspective is needed or there is diagnostic uncertainty.

ASD

1. What were the average wait times between referral and the start of assessment for CYP (5+) with ASD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ASD service.
2. What were the average wait times between referral and the start of assessment for Adults (18+) with ASD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
The longest wait for assessments was 131 weeks with the average wait being 56 weeks.
3. How many CYP (5+) were on a waiting list for ASD assessment and diagnosis between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ASD service.
4. How many Adults (18+) were on a waiting list for ASD assessment and diagnosis between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
There has been recognition that even pre COVID there was a continued increase in referrals into the service which did not match the capacity. At the end of 2021 there were 274 individuals waiting for a diagnostic assessment including those waiting since the end of 2019 and across 2020.

5. How many referrals were received for CYP (5+) ASD assessments between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ASD service.
6. How many referrals were received for Adults (18+) ASD assessments between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT received 184 referrals during this time period and a further 10 that were purely for intervention.
7. How many assessments were carried out on average per month for CYP (5+) with ASD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ASD service.
8. How many assessments were carried out on average per month for Adults (18+) with ASD between 1/1/21 and 31/12/21
The way in which assessments were completed changed with COVID with the majority being completed virtually and face-to-face appointments completed where needed as part of this. This pattern continued through to late 2021. Across the year 50 diagnostic assessments were completed and these consisted of approximately 3 appointments per individual of 2 hours each so 150 assessment sessions were completed in a year which equates to 12.5 assessment slots per month.
9. What is the cost per head for CYP (5+) ASD assessment and diagnosis
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ASD service.
10. What is the cost per head for Adults (18+) ASD assessment and diagnosis
As above the information regarding the staff involved in the process and the time taken has been sent to Dacre to see if he can work out an average cost.
11. What is the staff/skill mix and total WTE of staff directly involved in assessment and diagnosis for CYP(5+) with ASD
EPUT does not currently provide a CYP ASD service.
12. What is the staff/skill mix and total WTE of staff directly involved in assessment and diagnosis for Adults (18+) with ASD
These assessments involve all members of the team but the diagnostic element might be completed by one or two of the qualified staff (Senior OT, Principal Psychologists, and Consultant Psychologist).
2 x 1wte Assistant Psychologists
0.46wte Senior Occupational Therapist
0.7wte Principal Psychologists
0.4wte Consultant Clinical Psychologist

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