

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information for the past year 2023/22 concerning the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust's Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

1. The average and maximum waiting times for routine treatment with CAMHS.
[The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the <https://eput.nhs.uk/media/s2yjnwsb/eput-foi-23-2821.pdf> website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act \(Information accessible to applicant by other means\):](https://eput.nhs.uk/media/s2yjnwsb/eput-foi-23-2821.pdf)
 2. The average and maximum waiting times for urgent treatment with CAMHS.
[See Response to question 1](#)
 3. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 0-4 weeks for treatment?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 4. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 4-8 weeks for treatment?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 5. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 8-12 weeks for treatment?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 6. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 12-16 weeks for treatment?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 7. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 16-20 weeks for treatment?
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 8. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 20-24 weeks for treatment?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 9. In 2022/23, how many patients waited 24-52 weeks for treatment?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 10. The longest waiting time for anyone on the list for routine treatment in 2022/23?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 11. The total referrals for urgent and routine treatment in 2022/23?
[See Response to question 1](#)
 12. The total number of children and adolescents on the waiting list at the current time?
[See Response to question 1](#)
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13. The longest waiting times for ADHD assessments/treatment with CAMHS in 22/23 and The current waiting times?

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14. The longest waiting times for depression and anxiety treatment with CAMHS in 22/23 and the current waiting times?

[See Response to question 1](#)

15. The longest waiting times for autism assessments with CAMHS in 22/23 and the current waiting times?

[See Response to question 1](#)

16. How many referrals to CAMHS were refused in 2022/23?

[See Response to question 1](#)

17. What criteria were used to refuse referrals in 2022/23?

[See Response to question 1](#)

18. How many patients were sectioned in 2022/23?

[There were 1459 patients sectioned under the Mental Health Act in 2022/23.](#)

19. How many patients held under sections were transferred from Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust to another Trust to receive care in 2022/23?

[There were 193 detained patients transferred to another Trust, including 66 patients who were transferred to an acute hospital.](#)

Section 21: Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and

any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

Publication Scheme:

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