

ADHD Service Newsletter

Updated: February 2024



The current wait time for an ADHD Initial Assessment for the last 5 years

CAMHS ADHD Team	Weeks Waiting							Average Waiting Time (Weeks)
	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-13	13-21	21+	Grand Total	
Waiting list as at 31/12/2019	24	22	19	11	28	33	137	15
Waiting list as at 31/12/2020	27	24	27	20	25	26	149	14
Waiting list as at 31/12/2021	20	24	29	24	32	61	190	15
Waiting list as at 31/12/2022	29	49	30	35	56	210	409	20
Waiting list as at 31/12/2023	48	13	36	37	82	416	632	31
Waiting list as at 29/02/2024	33	36	23	43	77	425	627	32

The number of children (under the age of 18) with an ADHD diagnosis for the last 5 years.

Year	Number of under 18s with ADHD Diagnosis
2019	115
2020	143
2021	104
2022	140
2023	159
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The number of ADHD assessments completed in the last 5 years.

Year	Number of ADHD Assessments Offered	Number of ADHD Assessments Attended
2019	459	389
2020	484	410
2021	551	479
2022	486	394
2023	397	313

The number of Children/Young People’s ADHD assessments that have been accepted and rejected in the last five years

Year	Assessment Referrals to ADHD Service Received	Assessment Referrals to ADHD Service Accepted	Assessment Referrals to ADHD Service Rejected	Rejected Referrals Gender Breakdown	
				Female	Male
2019	483	444	39	8	31
2020	372	359	13	3	10
2021	429	402	27	7	20
2022	606	545	61	17	44
2023	417	376	41	25	41

What services does the Trust provide at point of referral.

ADHD Service provides Early Intervention to those children and young people who are awaiting an assessment of ADHD. This includes:

- Parent/carer zoom information sessions, which provide support and information on a variety of relevant topics, including, Toileting, Eating (selective), Communication, Emotional Regulation, Play, Sensory awareness, Behaviour, Sleep and Life Skills. Parents/carers are invited via text message on a monthly to avail of workshops.
- A range of information and resources that can be accessed on the Southern Health and Social Care Trust’s webpage.