

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

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16-17285 and 16-17304

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Subject

GIDS Referrals Data for 2016

Details of (initial) enquiry 16-17285

Please could you answer the following questions with regards to the following Clinical Commissioning Group areas (Wirral, Liverpool, Knowsley, St Helens, Halton, South Sefton, Southport, Formby), and an overall national data set:

1. The number of patients referred to your service 1st January 2016-31st December 2016?
2. The average waiting time for patients having their first appointment (1st October-31 December 2016)
3. The average waiting time for patients having their first appointment 1st October-31 December 2016
4. Number of patients waiting over 18 weeks from referral to first appointment as of 31 December 2016
5. Number of patients waiting over 52 weeks from referral to first appointment as of 31 December 2016
6. Total number of patients on the waiting list as of 31 December 2016
7. Current patient population at 31 December 2016
8. Number of patients discharged 1st January – 31 December 2016
9. Outline your assessment process from first appointment through to surgery referral?
10. Average waiting time between appointments?
11. Outline your discharge process and continuation of care for the patient

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Additionally, would it be possible to have the data for the following questions?

12. The number of patients referred to your service 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016?

13. Number of first appointments offered 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016?

Response Sent to 16-17285

1. The number of patients referred to your service 1st January 2016 to 31st December 2016?
The number of patients referred in 2016 in total was 1866.
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2. & 3. The average wait time for patients having their first appointment 1st October-31st December 2016?
The average wait time for patients who had their first appointment between 1st October and 31st December 2016 was 35 weeks.
4. Number of patients waiting over 18 weeks from referral to first appointment as of 31st December 2016?
The number of patients who waited more the 18 weeks from referral to first appointment in 2016 in total was 795.
5. Number of patients waiting over 52 weeks from referral to first appointment as of 31st December 2016?
The number of patients who waited more than 52 weeks from referral to first appointment in 2016 in total was 3.
6. Total number of patients on the waiting list as of 31st December 2016?
It is not possible to review the waiting list at a historic point in time as we work to a rolling current waiting list. The waiting list at the time this report was compiled (26th January 2016) was 1572.
7. Current Patient population as at 31 December 2016
2,976 patients (includes those on waiting list)
8. Number of patients discharged 1st January to 31st December 2016?
The number of patients discharged in 2016 in total was 415.
9. Outline your assessment process from first appointment through to surgery referral?
Our service specifications as commissioned by NHS England can be found at: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2016/09/gids-service-specification.pdf>
These describe the GIDS assessment and treatment pathway. Referrals for surgery are not made by the child and adolescent service.

10. Average waiting time between appointments?

We do not have data recorded or collated on the wait times between appointments. Follow up appointments are offered as required and on dates mutually convenient for clinicians and families. The average number of appointments a patient receives in one year is approximately 4-5, and therefore one can estimate that the average time between appointments as between 2.5 and 3 months. This is likely to be shorter in the assessment phase as appropriate.

11. Outline your discharge process and continuation of care for the patient?

This is outlined in our service specification which can be found at:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2016/09/gids-service-specification.pdf>

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12. The number of patients referred to your service 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016?

CCG	Number of referrals in 2016
Wirral	10
Liverpool	8
Knowsley	10
St Helens	12
Halton	2
South Sefton	2
Southport and Formby	6

13. Number of first appointments offered 1st January 2016 – 31st December 2016?

107 first appointments were offered in the period 1st January to 31 December 2016