

Referrals

Request and Response

1. In the period between 1 April 2014 and 31st March 2015 please can you provide the following information on the total number of referrals:

a) Received

OUR RESPONSE: 3937 (this includes 348 referrals to Primary Mental Health Team)

b) Assessed and accepted

OUR RESPONSE: 3025 (this includes 303 referrals to Primary Mental Health Team)

c) Assessed and not accepted

OUR RESPONSE: 912 (this includes 45 referrals not accepted by Primary Mental Health Team)

d) Assessed, not accepted but referred elsewhere

OUR RESPONSE: Unfortunately, the Trust does not currently collect this level of information.

and for how many of a), b), c) and d)

- i. Was there a concern about any form of abuse or neglect
- ii. Was sexual abuse the primary concern
- iii. Was physical abuse the primary concern
- iv. Was emotional abuse the primary concern
- v. Was neglect the primary concern
- vi. Was the child on a Child Protection Plan

	Was there a concern about any form of abuse or neglect	Was sexual abuse the primary concern	Was physical abuse the primary concern	Was emotional abuse the primary concern	Was neglect the primary concern	Where child v on a C Protec Plan
al number of children whose referrals received						
al number of children whose referrals assessed and accepted						
al number of children whose referrals assessed and not accepted						
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OUR RESPONSE: Clinicians may have some of this information at assessment but not usually at referral. This is routinely asked in mental health assessments and is recorded in hand written notes, therefore to provide this information would exceed the appropriate costs limit under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, currently £450. CAMHS are currently investigating an electronic system to include safeguarding.

2. In the same period, for children where a) any form of abuse or neglect b) sexual abuse c) physical abuse d) emotional abuse e) neglect was found to be present or a factor, please state how many of these were not accepted for the following reasons:

- i. Did not meet threshold for diagnosable mental health disorder

- ii. Lack of capacity within service
- iii. Child/family needed more specialised abuse service
- iv . Because of police or court proceedings

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Any form of abuse or neglect				
Where there was a concern about sexual abuse				
Where there was a concern about physical abuse				
Where there was a concern about emotional abuse				
Where there was a concern about neglect				

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3. In your CAMHS area is a) sexual abuse b) physical abuse c) emotional abuse d) neglect

- i. Identified in the referral and initial assessment form? (Yes/No)
- ii.

OUR RESPONSE: This is routinely asked in mental health assessments and hand written in patient's notes.

- iii. A reason for fast-tracking a child's access to CAMHS support? Yes/No)

OUR RESPONSE: Reasons for fast tracking a child's access are usually related to acute mental illness and high levels of risk.

- iv. Identified in your policies on dealing with patients who Do Not Attend (DNA)? (Yes/No)

OUR RESPONSE: Yes – Everything about a young person is taken into consideration when dealing with CAMHS patients who DNA, especially safeguarding issues.

	Identified in the referral and initial assessment form? (Yes/No)	A reason for fast-tracking a child's access to CAMHS support? (Yes/No)	Identified in your policies on dealing with patients who Do Not Attend (DNA)? (Yes/No)
Sexual abuse			
Physical abuse			
Emotional abuse			
Neglect			

4. Please state your overall budget for the following periods:

- a. 1 April 2014 and 31st March 2015

OUR RESPONSE: Pay: £7,184,782, Non Pay: £432,180

b. 1 April 2010 and 31st March 2011

OUR RESPONSE: Pay: £6,734,128.00, Non Pay: £2,326,663.00

5. Please state the average waiting time between referral and assessment for the period 1 April 2014 and 31st March 2015.

OUR RESPONSE: 8.1 Weeks