

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/22/609

ADHD – CYP

1. What ADHD services are there available in this health board area

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has a Children's Neurodevelopment Service, which includes ADHD clinics and ASD clinics

2. How many people are on the waiting list of people waiting to be diagnosed with ADHD

There are 1,738 children and young people on the waiting list for a Neurodevelopment assessment.

3. How is the demand for services being dealt with?

In addition to the Neurodevelopmental clinics allocated to clinicians in their job plan, the service has:

- Non-recurrent service improvement funding received from Welsh Government Transformation Monies until the end of March to support additional capacity to deliver clinical assessment activity.
- A Clinical Triage post has been permanently funded from Welsh Government Transformation Monies to commence development of a Single Point of Access for ND – providing triage, advice and consultation functions
- Working collaboratively with the RPB on the Welsh Government Pathfinder project with a dedicated workstream for ND; the pathfinder will seek to improve information sharing between agencies, undertake a mapping exercise on the support that exists across the region and how this can be accessed and explore a community connector post that can work alongside families to help them navigate services ensuring they are able to access the most appropriate support for their needs
- Internal capacity is being flexed and maximised accordingly

4. Have you had any complaints about insufficient services in relation to ADHD diagnosis and support

The service averages a formal complaint and two informal complaints a week. These typically include:

- Wait time for an initial appointment
- Wait time for a second appointment
- Wait time for a diagnosis after an initial clinic
- Wait time for a follow-up clinic/medication review