

15 August 2023

Dear

ATISN 18840 - Autism screening

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 14 August 2023. You requested the following:

- *the full data from all health boards of how many people are awaiting screening appointments for conditions such as Autism, ADHD, ADD, & Asperger's.*
- *how many have been waiting longer than the current allocated time of 13 weeks.*

Response

The Welsh Government does not collect the data on all the information you have requested. The delivery of Autism, ADHD, ADD and Aspergers services is the responsibility of each local health board in Wales. You may wish to contact each health board individually to request this information and have added a link below that provides contact points for each health board: [Contact Us - NHS Wales](#)

Whilst we don't collect data for adults, we do have waiting time data on Neurodevelopment waiting times for children and young people, but we are unable to break this down by conditions. I attach the spreadsheet which gives figures up to June 2023. For further information you may wish to contact the health boards directly.

Next Steps

The request you sent me contains personal information about you - for example, your name and address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response.

We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

Under data protection legislation, you have the right:

- to be informed of the personal data we hold about you and to access it
- to require us to rectify inaccuracies in that data
- to (in certain circumstances) object to or restrict processing
- for (in certain circumstances) your data to be 'erased'
- to (in certain circumstances) data portability
- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

For further information about the information which the Welsh Government holds and its use, or if you wish to exercise your rights under the GDPR, please see contact details below:

Data Protection Officer
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ
Email: DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,