

Date: 28th September 2026

Our Ref: FOI/0010682

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Direct Line: 01786 457313

Dear Applicant,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST: FOI/0010682

We have dealt with your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. For ease of reference, we have copied your request below:

1. For the Paediatric Neurodevelopmental Service (PNDS): the number of children and young people currently on the waiting list;

Response: NHS Forth Valley currently has 4764 children and young people on the PNDS waiting list.

the current average waiting time;

Response: The current average waiting time is 96.1 weeks.

the number who have currently waited more than one year,

Response: 3507 patients have currently waited more than 1 year.

more than two years,

Response: 2083 patients have currently waited more than 2 years.

more than three years;

Response: 808 patients have waited for more than 3 years

and the longest current wait.

Response: The current longest waiting time is 213 weeks.

2. The number of children and young people who received a first PNDS assessment appointment in the most recent 12 months.

Response: 75 children and young people have received a first assessment in the last 12 months.

3. For adults:

the current average waiting time from referral to first assessment for suspected ADHD,

Response: NHS Forth Valley does not have a specific ADHD assessment pathway for adults. As a result we are required to respond to your request in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002: Information not held.

and the number of adults currently awaiting assessment, in whatever form recorded by community mental health services (nearest available equivalent acceptable).

Response: Please see previous response.

We hope this is of assistance. If you are unhappy with the way we have dealt with your request, you are entitled to request a review. You have 40 working days upon receipt of this response to ask for a review. You can request a review by email to: fv.freedomofinformation@nhs.scot or writing to us at: Information Governance Department, NHS Forth Valley, Carseview House, Castle Business Park, Stirling, FK9 4SW.

If you wish to request a review, please state:

- That you are asking for a review, and
- Why you are unhappy with the response you have received.

If you are not content with the outcome of the review, you then have the right to ask the Scottish Information Commissioner for advice and assistance or a formal appeal. You must submit an appeal to the Commissioner within 6 months of receiving our review response. You can submit an appeal via the Scottish Information Commissioner's website: www.foi.scot/appeal or by writing to: Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS. You can also contact the Commissioner by telephone: 01334 464610

Please feel free to contact us should you require any further advice or assistance regarding our handling of your request or your review and appeal rights.

Yours sincerely
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