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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI 026-1920

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about CAMHS referrals. Please find our response below.

What percentage of referrals to CAMHS services have been rejected or deemed inappropriate in the last financial year for which figures are available?

Year	Not Accepted by the Service	
	% Inappropriate referrals	% Signposted to Other organisation
2018/19	24%	8%

Please tick the reasons for refusal:

- Condition not serious enough to meet threshold for access to service
- Duration of condition not long enough (please state if you have a specific time limit)
- Condition or situation not suitable for CAMHS service intervention (eg child does not have a diagnosable mental health condition)
- Service lacks capacity to support the patient at this time
- Existence of co-morbidity which excludes support from your service (eg substance misuse)
- Young person above 18
- Other (please state)

The Trust does not routinely collect this information.

What is your maximum waiting time in days for CAMHS from a) referral to first appointment and b) referral to start of treatment in 2017/18 or the most recent financial year available?

	2018/19
Max Wait time from Referral to Assessment	159 Days
Max Wait time Referrals to treatment	316 Days

What is your median waiting time in days for CAMHS from a) referral to first appointment and b) referral to start of treatment in 2017/18 or the most recent financial year available?

	2018/19
Median Wait time from Referral to Assessment	16 Days
Median Wait time Referrals to treatment	61 Days

If you collect the above information in weeks please could you state whether your measure of a week is equivalent to seven days? If you collect the information in months please could you state the number of days in each month? **Not Applicable.**

Do you wish to make any further comments on the issue of rejected referrals to children's mental health services? **Not Applicable.**

Yours sincerely,

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