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Corporate Information Team
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Reference: 6889402

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Dear ###

Thank you for your request to Aneurin Bevan University Health Board for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 17 February 2026.

Your request

You requested the following:

I am today writing to you as part of a Freedom of Information Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding Aneurin Bevan University Health Board services. I would like to request information on the following:

- 1) How many people are currently on the waiting list to be assessed for ADHD in the Adult ADHD referral service?
- 2) How many people are currently on the accelerated pathway to have their private ADHD diagnosis reviewed on the Adult ADHD pathway?
- 3) For the patient that has been on the waiting list the longest, how long have they been waiting since they were referred to the Adult ADHD service by their GP?
- 4) How many qualified clinicians does ABUHB currently have carrying out Adult ADHD assessments and reviews?
- 5) Is ABUHB working to increase the number of staff carrying out Adult ADHD assessments and reviews? If so, how many staff are they looking to recruit in what time-frame?
- 6) What is the average waiting time for a patient to be assessed on the standard pathway for Adult ADHD once they have been referred by their GP?
- 7) What is the average waiting time for a patient to be reviewed for adult ADHD on the accelerated pathway once they have already received a private diagnosis for ADHD?

Our Response

I can confirm that the Health Board has completed a search of its records and has established that it does hold information in relation to your request. The information being released to you is set out below.

1. The Health Board currently has 3,722 people waiting for an ADHD assessment. In addition, 2,440 people are awaiting screening of suitability for placement on the assessment waiting list.
2. The Health Board does not maintain a separate list specifically identifying individuals who have received a private ADHD diagnosis. Our current data management processes do not allow us to distinguish referrals based on whether the original diagnosis was obtained privately or through NHS pathways. As a result, this information is not held.
3. The longest-waiting patient was referred to the Adult ADHD service in July 2022.
4. The Adult ADHD service has 5.6 whole-time equivalent (WTE) clinicians involved in the assessment, review and prescribing of patients.
5. At present, there are no plans to increase the overall staffing establishment within the Adult ADHD service.
6. The average waiting time from GP referral to clinical assessment is 907 days.
7. Please see our response to question 2. As the Health Board does not record referrals in a way that distinguishes between private and NHS diagnoses, we do not hold information that would allow an average waiting time for an accelerated pathway to be calculated.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

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If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you have the right to take your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
2nd Floor, Churchill House
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Telephone: 0330 414 6421
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Yours sincerely

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