

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-487	10 November 2023
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Your request

You requested the following:

Please provide information on the following points, providing a breakdown for the years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 – present.

1. The average waiting time between someone's first appointment and their first follow-up appointment within Specialist Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services.
2. The longest time a person has had to wait for their first appointment within this service.
3. The longest time a person has had to wait for their first follow-up appointment within this service.

Our response

1. Our response as of July 2023 is provided in the table below:

Years	Average Wait Between first appointment to follow-up appointment
2020	20 weeks
2021	24 weeks
2022	36 weeks
2023	11 weeks

2. Our response is provided in the table below:

Years	Longest Wait for first appointment
2020	3.83 weeks
2021	3.75 weeks
2022	4.71 weeks
2023	3.15 weeks

3. Our response is provided in the table below:

Years	Longest Wait for first follow-up appointment
2020	22 weeks

2021	41 weeks
2022	56 weeks
2023	17 weeks