

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-184	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
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**"I am writing to request information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act (2000). My enquiries relate to children's (under 18s) Autism diagnoses.**

Please find attached a spreadsheet as requested in relation to the following questions.

- 1. How many diagnoses of Autism were given to children (under 18 years of age) in 2021, 2020, 2019 and 2018?**
- 2. What is the current waiting time, from referral to assessment, for a child awaiting an Autism assessment? Please sort this data into male and female wait times.**
- 3a. How many children (under 18 years of age) are currently waiting for an assessment by your children's neurodevelopmental (ND) services?**
- 3b. Of those children waiting, how many are waiting for an Autism assessment by your health board?**
- 4. What percentage of children were seen within the waiting time target of 26 weeks from referral to assessment? Please provide data for 2021, 2020, 2019 and 2018.**
- 5. At what age do you begin assessing children for Autism?**