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Dear E Wilson

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 2020.001.NHS**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Request which we received on 5 January 2020 requesting information on Adult Autism Assessment Waiting Times.

### **Question:**

I am writing to request information held by NHS Fife Board concerning the wait times for a diagnostic assessment for adults with undiagnosed autism. I would like to know the target wait from referral, average wait time from referral over the last year, and current wait time from referral.

### **Response:**

There is no specific target for waiting times for diagnostic assessment of ASD in NHS Fife. In 2019 NHS Fife Psychology Department accepted 48 referrals for diagnostic assessment for Autistic Spectrum Disorder. 13 of these referrals were seen in 2019 with an average wait until assessment of 30 weeks (range 5 to 48 weeks). There are currently 35 people waiting for ASD diagnostic appointments, the maximum waiting time is currently 50 weeks.

I hope this information is helpful to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me by email, or by telephone on 03451 555555 extension 440971 if I can be of further assistance.

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If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request you can ask us to review the handling of your request. You are entitled to ask for a review up to 40 working days from the date of the initial response. You will receive a full response to your request for review within 20 working days of its receipt.

Please send your request for review to [FOI.IJB@fife.gov.uk](mailto:FOI.IJB@fife.gov.uk) or send your request in writing to: Director of Health and Social Care, Rothesay House, Rothesay Place, Glenrothes, KY7 5PQ. If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we have handled your request for review you may ask the Scottish Information Commissioner to review our decision. You must submit your complaint to the Commissioner within 6 months of receiving the response

Yours sincerely

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