

Cumbria, Northumberland Tyne & Wear NHS Trust
Sunderland Children Cared for Report

October 2021 (June 2021 – August 2021)



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1. Activity

	Jun	Jul	Aug
Referrals	9	6	2
Referrals discharged unseen	1	1	0

Referrals discharged unseen

The following provides narrative in relation to reasons why the young people were not seen by the service.

June

1 referral received and not accepted due to no mental health concerns, the issues addressed within referral were relating to education.

July

1 referral received and appointment was offered, young person and foster care did not feel CYPs was required and were unaware the GP had made a referral, family advised to contact CPYS should services be required in the future.

2. Referral Urgency

All cases referred to CYPs either by phone, fax, and email or in written format are reviewed on a daily basis by members of the clinical team. The purpose of this initial review is in order to signpost any cases that have been inappropriately referred and to ensure any cases that require an emergency or urgent response are highlighted and actioned immediately.

CYPs Intensive Community Treatment Service (ICTS) offer a 24/7 service 365 days per year. ICTS will respond to the young person via telephone to offer a telephone triage within 1 hour. Young person requiring an emergency appointment will be offered an appointment within 4 hours of referral being received and for urgent referrals the young person will be offered an appointment within 24 hours.

	Jun	Jul	Aug
Emergency	0	0	0
Urgent	2	0	0
Total	2	0	0

3. Waiting Times (All Referrals)

Current Waiting Times to Treatment are detailed below. (Treatment is defined as second attended contact)

	Jun (Weeks)	Jul (Weeks)	Aug (Weeks)
Wait to Treatment	4	6	6

Referrals

During the COVID pandemic the service has continued to accept all referrals and complete assessments and interventions. New Ways of Working have been fully embraced by the Team to facilitate contact with young people and their families / carers such as online consultation and phone contact. Face to face contact continues to be offered within a secure COVID environment. Home visits and school appointments are offered to young people to support engagement and attendance at appointments.

Children who are Cared for Pathway

This Pathway specifically focusses on 2 areas, direct work therapeutic work with the young people and non direct work with Foster Carers, which includes Psychoeducational Group Interventions, Consultation and Training to Foster Families in conjunction with Together for Children and continued dedicated scaffolding support to Residential Homes in Sunderland.

Young People are offered priority appointments within CYPS and following assessment will access treatment in a timely manner. The Pathway is a multi disciplinary team consisting of nursing, psychology, child psychotherapy and psychiatry. The team have all completed specific formal training to deliver psychological therapies to meet the needs of the young people and their carers.

4.Current Caseload

	Jun	Jul	Aug
Total Children Looked After	103	102	103
Total CYPS Caseload	1742	1724	1702
Total % Children Looked After	5.9%	5.9%	6.1%