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## Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding autism within NHS South Sefton CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

1. What is the diagnosis pathway in your area and what is the referral to assessment time?
  - For children under 12.
  - For young people aged 12-18.
  - For adults.

NHS South Sefton CCG does not hold this information; you may wish to refer your query to

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Under 18 –

Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust  
[Info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk](mailto:Info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk)

Adults –

Mersey Care NHS Trust  
[freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk)

2. What support is given to families during the diagnosis process?

Families can access Parenting Programmes and are signposted to any available local service.

3. What specialist Autism Services are available in your area?

NHS South Sefton CCG commission Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust to provide specialist ADHD/ASD Nurse support for under 18s –

Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust  
[Info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk](mailto:Info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk)

NHS South Sefton CCG commission Mersey Care NHS Trust to provide a Asperger's Service to over 18s –

Mersey Care NHS Trust  
[freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@merseycare.nhs.uk)

4. How long does it take for an EHCP to be approved/refused in your area?

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Sefton Council  
[information@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:information@sefton.gov.uk)