



Behaviour and Emotional Health Team – Service Update October 2024

Our team is the starting point of the referral pathway for children where there are queries regarding possible neurodevelopmental conditions such as Autism (ASD) and/or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) who are registered with a Nottingham City GP.

Wait Times

An upwards trend in referrals continues and therefore demands on the pathway and team. The team accepted **893** (avg **149** per month) of new referrals from April-September 2024. Current wait times, from the date of referral to triage, is currently a **minimum of 12 months**. This increase was expected due to some proactive and child centred initiatives within the team which included accelerating children that were in Year 6 and therefore completing the non-clinical element of the assessment before the Summer break. *The team is in the process of trialling a new approach to triaging referrals which we anticipate will trigger significant improvements to our wait times..*

Referral Acknowledgement/Unable to acceptance

We aim to screen ALL referrals made to the team within **2-3 weeks** of receipt and confirm if the referral can be accepted or not.

A high volume of referrals are **not** accepted, **approximately 100 per month***. This is *not* based on the child's referred for needs rather that mandatory fields have not been completed or supporting documents and assessments provided.

We appreciate the support from our referring community and request that you continue to submit fully completed referrals with supporting documents and assessments that will aid our Non-Clinical assessment. Please continue to send any further supporting information (while waiting to be triaged) to BEH.Team@Nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Please scan for further information, forms, guidance and pathway documents regarding The Behaviour and Emotional Team



BEH Team Webinars

We will be offering another 3 Webinars to **professionals** who would **like to know more** about the Neurodevelopmental Referral Pathway (Nottingham City). Previous sessions were very popular and have been a fantastic opportunity to share information and ideas. We welcome your input.

Wednesday 6th November 12 -1pm
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1038824280387?aff=oddtcreator>

Tuesday 3rd December 9-10am
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1038831401687?aff=oddtcreator>

Wednesday 15th January 9-10am
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1038843176907?aff=oddtcreator>

NEW! In response to queries around our **New Forest Programme** offer to families (where behaviours that maybe indicative of ADHD is being queried) we are offering 3 Information Webinars for professionals.

Friday 8th November 9-10am
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1038847610167?aff=oddtcreator>

Thursday 5th December 12-1pm
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/103885473687?aff=oddtcreator>

Thursday 16th January 4-5pm
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1038856968157?aff=oddtcreator>

All sessions are 1 hour and will be delivered via Microsoft Teams.

Support Clinics for Parents/ Carers

The clinic can provide an opportunity and safe place for the parent/carer to discuss any queries they may have. We can provide advice, support and guidance on if a referral to the pathway is appropriate or signpost to relevant services.

Parents/carers can call us to arrange at **0115 8761716** or email BEH.Team@Nottinghamcity.gov.uk