Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service Benchmarking Toolkit

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About this release

Information Services Division has released data up to 31 December 2017 in the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) Benchmarking Toolkit. The CAMHS benchmarking toolkit aims to support the implementation of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health policy using national data benchmarking of CAMHS across Scotland. The toolkit contains information on waiting times for CAMHS, workforce statistics, inpatient admissions and inpatient bed days.

Main Points

Based on the available data for the quarter ending December 2017:

- 4,015 children and young people started treatment at Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in 14 NHS Boards, compared to 3,410 in the previous quarter.
- The community CAMHS wages budget per 1,000 people under 18 ranged from £9,444 - £60,212 for NHS boards across Scotland, compared to £0 - £60,475 in the previous quarter.
- Sickness absence of dedicated NHS CAMHS clinicians in Scotland ranged from 0.0% - 14.6% for NHS boards across Scotland, compared to 0.0% - 15.9% in the previous quarter.
- Across Scotland, around one in eight patients (11.8%) referred to CAMHS did not attend their first appointment, compared to 13.7% in the previous quarter.

Background

This information helps to provide a balanced view of CAMHS in NHSScotland, incorporating the aims of the Quality Strategy domains of Client/Patient Focus, Delivering Best Practice, Internal Processes and Best Use of Resources. It achieves this by taking a range of information on waiting times for young people receiving mental health services, the workforce employed to provide those services, hospital activity and several other contextual measures. The balanced scorecard comprises of a detailed set of data tables in the CAMHS toolkit and an interactive comparative dashboard.

Further information is available from CAMHS Benchmarking Toolkit webpage.

Please see News and Updates section of our website for more details.
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Further Information

The CAMHS Benchmarking National Scorecard from this publication is available to download from our web page.

The next release of this publication will be in June 2018.

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