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Request and response:

According to Part 3, s44 of the 2014 Children & Families Act, local authorities must review Education, Health & Care Plans (EHCPs) at least annually.

As part of this annual review, local authorities must decide whether to maintain, amend, or cease to maintain the EHCP. The local authority must notify parents or the young person of their decision within four weeks of the review meeting, and they must notify them of their right to appeal matters within the EHCP that arise from this decision.

For these requests, the definition of “complete” is successful completion of all local authority duties laid out in paragraphs 20 and 21 of the 2014 Special Educational Needs & Disability Regulations.

1. The number of EHCP annual reviews completed by the local authority in 2018

The number of EHCP annual review meetings held and completed by the local authority in 2018 according to our records was 1237

2. The number of EHCP annual reviews that were not completed by the local authority in 2018

The number of EHCP annual reviews that were held in 2018 and were not completed was 59

3. The number of EHCP annual reviews completed by the local authority from 1st January 2019 to 1st October 2019

The number of EHCP annual reviews held and completed between 01.01.19 and 01.10.19 was 1035



4. The number of EHCP annual reviews due for completion by the local authority between 1st January 2019 and the 31st October, but which have not been completed

The number of EHCP reviews where the review was held between 01.01.19 and 31.10.19, has been received in the office and is awaiting actioning by us is 363

The number of review meeting dates arranged between 01.01.19 and 31.10.19 by educational settings where we are awaiting completed paperwork is 110

5. The number of EHCP annual reviews that currently remain incomplete at least 6 months after the last review

There are approximately 182 EHCP review reports received by the SEN team that remain incomplete at least 6 months after the last review

6. The number of EHCP annual reviews that currently remain incomplete at least 12 months after the last review meeting

There are approximately 18 EHCP review reports received by the SEN team that remain incomplete at least 12 months after the last review

7. The number of EHCP annual reviews that currently remain incomplete at least 24 months after the last review meeting

We do not have any EHCP review reports received by the SEN team that remain incomplete at least 24 months after the last review meeting.

Information provided by: Together for Families

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