

Reference Number: FOI-101004838120

Response provided under: Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request and response:

According to Part 3, S36 of the Children and Families Act 2014, a local authority must secure an EHC needs assessment if, after having regard to any views expressed and evidence submitted, the authority is of the opinion that:

- the child or young person has or may have special educational needs, and
- it may be necessary for special educational provision to be made for the child or young person in accordance with an EHC plan.

1. The number of initial requests that were made for an EHC needs assessment for an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) during the 2019 *calendar* year (1st April – 31st March).

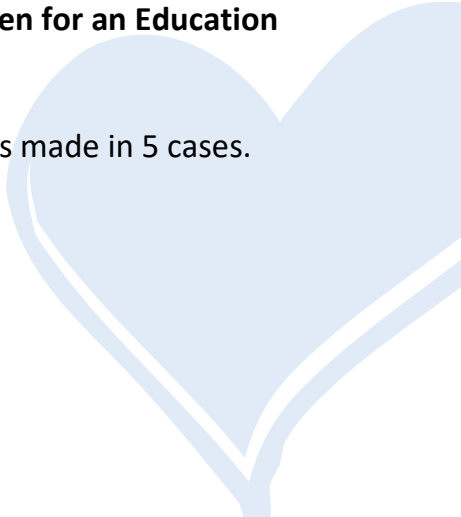
693

2. The number of initial requests for an EHC needs assessment for an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that were refused during the 2019 *calendar* year.

169

3. The number of children and young people (aged 0-25) assessed for an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) during the 2019 *calendar* year who are still being assessed or those where assessment has been completed but no decision taken for an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

A decision not to proceed with an Education Health and Care Plan was made in 5 cases.



4. The number of requests for an assessment for an Education Health and Care Plan during the 2019 year that were granted:-

a. After first refusal?

61 Assessments

b. After second refusal?

6 Assessments

Information provided by: Together for Families

Date of response: 14th April 2020