

The human rights scandal continues

#HumanToo #StrippedofHumanRights

The latest data shows there are

at least 2,060

people with a learning disability and/or autism in inpatient units.

NHS Digital Assuring Transformation data, May 2020

Shut away for too long

People with a learning disability and/or autism who are sent to inpatient units are there for an average of

5.7 years



NHS Digital Assuring Transformation data, May 2020

At risk

3,265

Within March 2020

reported uses of restrictive interventions in one month e.g. **physical, chemical, mechanical restraint** and being **kept in isolation**.

Of these, **570** were against **Children** (under 18s)



NHS Digital MHSDS Data: March 2020, published May 2020

Children in units

Under 18s

The number of children with a learning disability and/or autism in inpatient units has **increased** since the start of the Transforming Care programme.

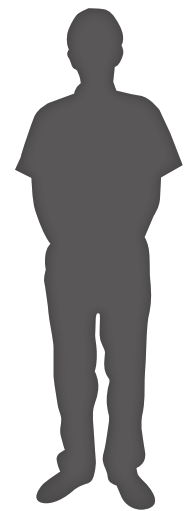


May 2020

200

March 2015

110



NHS Digital Assuring Transformation data, May 2020

COVID-19: The effect of lockdown measures on young people in inpatient units

'...the risk of human rights abuses are even greater...Unlawful blanket bans on visits, the suspension of routine inspections, the increased use of restraint and solitary confinement, and the vulnerability of those in detention to infection with COVID-19... mean that the situation is now a severe crisis' - Joint Committee on Human Rights report, June 2020.

Delayed discharge

120

 people had their discharge delayed.

Main reasons: **lack of social care** and **lack of suitable housing** in the community.



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COVID-19 makes Transforming Care even more of a priority, not less

The Government must not use COVID-19 as an excuse not to put a stop to this human rights scandal.

This crisis has brought into even sharper focus the urgent need for a robust cross-government strategy and investment in social care, to stop inappropriate admissions and get people out of inpatient units.

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