

8 years on from the Winterbourne View abuse scandal

The latest data shows there are

at least 2,260

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

NHS Digital Assuring Transformation data, March 2019

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

5.4 years



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At risk

Within one month alone

There were

2,605

restrictive interventions including **physical, chemical, mechanical restraint** and being **kept in isolation**.



THERE IS STILL NO GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE FOR USE OF RESTRAINT IN CHILDREN.

Of these,

875

were for **Children** (under 18s)

NHS Digital MHSDS Data: December 2018, published March 2019

Children and young people in units

Under 18s

The number of children with a learning disability and/or autism in inpatient units has **increased**.

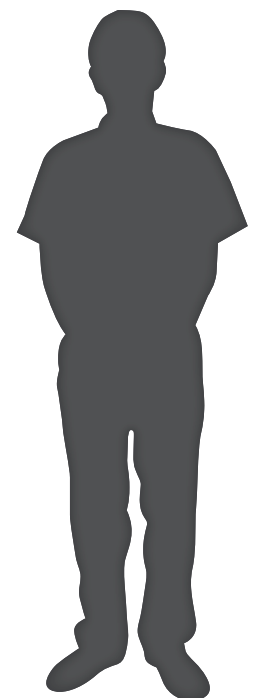


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February 2019

110

March 2015



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There were

1,910

incidents of **physical restraint**

Despite Government guidance for use of restraint in adults:

'There must be no planned or intentional restraint of a person in a prone/face down position on any surface, not just the floor'.

of which,

295

were **prone/face down restraint**.

Positive and Proactive Care: reducing the need for restrictive interventions (2014), Department of Health, Pg 26

Young people

There are

430

young people aged **18-24** in inpatient units.

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