

The human rights scandal continues

#HumanToo #StrippedofHumanRights

The latest data shows there are

at least 2,095

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

NHS Digital Assuring Transformation data, March 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

5.6 years



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At risk

3,885

Within January 2020

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

Of these, **745** were against **Children** (under 18s)



NHS Digital MHSDS Data: January 2020, published April 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.

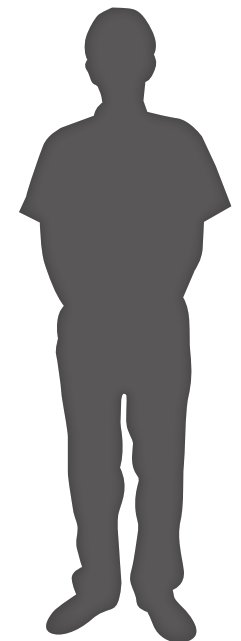


March 2020

205

March 2015

110



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Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC)

A legal challenge has been launched against the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care for failing patients with learning disabilities and autism: "We cannot afford to miss more deadlines... We cannot afford to risk further abuse being inflicted on even a single more person at the distressing and horrific levels we have seen. We need the DHSC to act now. These are people who deserve our support and compassion, not abuse and brutality...".
Rebecca Hilsenrath, Chief Executive of the EHRC

Delayed discharge

125

 people had their discharge delayed.

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



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Potential impact of Emergency Measures to deal with Covid-19 - on Transforming Care

Any emergency changes to the Care Act and Mental Health Act must not result in more people with a learning disability and/or autism being locked away in inpatient units. The health, care, quality of life and safety of people with a learning disability and/or autism must be prioritised in both the short and the long term.

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