PA4 Individual

Senedd Cymru

Y Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc ac Addysg

Absenoldeb Disgyblion

Ymateb gan Unigolyn

Welsh Parliament

Children, Young People and Education Committee

Pupil absence

Evidence from Individual

Record your views against the inquiry's terms of reference, which have been grouped into 5 themes.

1. Reasons

Needs not being appropriately assessed and met

When needs are known, school environments are not adequately suited to learner needs

Curriculums In mainstream are not suitable for additional need issues

Autism in girls significant issue

Autism with children with average to high IQ

Autism and trauma combination needs are not well met at all

2. Risks and consequences

Increased mental health deterioration

Low engagement in community

Low learner outcomes

3. Impact

N/A

4. Effectiveness of policies

Low - low mental health capacity and support

Long waiting lists for ASD assessment

Long waiting times for camhs

Low responsive capacity for ASD in mental health domains

Low understanding of ASD and attachment issues

5. Other

Children with trauma and LAC have higher issues accessing ASD assessments and this needs addressing