

Clearing House for Postgraduate Courses in Clinical Psychology

Contextual admissions data - 2025 Entry

The National Health Service (NHS) provided the funding for most of the places for the 2025 entry for clinical psychology courses. For information about current funding arrangements please see the Funding page of our website:

<https://www.clearing-house.org.uk/applications/funding>

The data in this file covers applicants for NHS clinical psychology training places.

Some applicants preferred not to give details for particular questions.

Some categories with small numbers are grouped together to maintain anonymity.

To monitor the socio-economic background of applicants we ask you for your home UK postcode when you were age 17.

We compare this with the POLAR data produced by the Office for Students about the participation of young people in higher education. Please see the Office for Students website if you need more information about POLAR:

<https://www.officeforstudents.org.uk/data-and-analysis/young-participation-by-area/>

"Prefer not to say" includes people who do not have an appropriate postcode e.g. from outside the UK.

	All Applicants		All Acceptances		
	Numbers	% of applicants	Numbers	% of accepted	% success applicants to accepted
TOTALS	5910	100.0%	1177	100.0%	19.9%
Are you the first generation in your immediate family to attend university?					
Yes	3141	53.1%	569	48.3%	18.1%
No	2691	45.5%	595	50.6%	22.1%
Prefer not to say	78	1.3%	13	1.1%	16.7%

Did you receive free school meals during your school years?					
Yes	1485	25.1%	285	24.2%	19.2%
No	3785	64.0%	808	68.6%	21.3%
Prefer not to say	121	2.0%	17	1.4%	14.0%
Not applicable	519	8.8%	67	5.7%	12.9%
Did your household receive income support during your school years?					
Yes	1667	28.2%	322	27.4%	19.3%
No	3846	65.1%	807	68.6%	21.0%
Prefer not to say	169	2.9%	24	2.0%	14.2%
Not applicable	228	3.9%	24	2.0%	10.5%
At any point, between the ages of 0 and 18 years, were you in care or looked after by a local authority for at least 3 months?					
Yes	99	1.7%	16	1.4%	16.2%
No	5725	96.9%	1146	97.4%	20.0%
Prefer not to say	86	1.5%	15	1.3%	17.4%
At any point, between the ages of 0 to 19 years, did your relationship with your family breakdown to the point where you were estranged from and lived apart from them for at least 6 months?					
Yes	594	10.1%	83	7.1%	14.0%
No	5150	87.1%	1065	90.5%	20.7%
Prefer not to say	166	2.8%	29	2.5%	17.5%

Did you have caring responsibilities for a parent, child or other relative for a year or more, between the ages of 11 and 19?					
Yes	968	16.4%	197	16.7%	20.4%
No	4792	81.1%	954	81.1%	19.9%
Prefer not to say	150	2.5%	26	2.2%	17.3%
Have you been recognised as a refugee by the UK government or have you been granted Humanitarian Protection by the UK government?					
Yes	49	0.8%	6	0.5%	12.2%
No	5813	98.4%	1162	98.7%	20.0%
Prefer not to say	48	0.8%	9	0.8%	18.8%
Did you receive an undergraduate degree offer requiring lower results for A Levels/Highers e.g. through a University Access scheme?					
Yes	340	5.8%	75	6.4%	22.1%
No	5453	92.3%	1081	91.8%	19.8%
Prefer not to say	117	2.0%	21	1.8%	17.9%
Did you receive funding for your undergraduate studies which you are not expected to pay back and which was only available to people from a disadvantaged background?					
Yes	1469	24.9%	315	26.8%	21.4%
No	4336	73.4%	840	71.4%	19.4%
Prefer not to say	105	1.8%	22	1.9%	21.0%

Did you receive funding for your postgraduate studies which you are not expected to pay back and which was only available to people from a disadvantaged background?					
Yes	289	4.9%	51	4.3%	17.6%
No	4763	80.6%	952	80.9%	20.0%
Prefer not to say	86	1.5%	18	1.5%	20.9%
Not applicable	772	13.1%	156	13.3%	20.2%
Yes responses to the above questions					
0 questions	1821	30.8%	419	35.6%	23.0%
1 question	1579	26.7%	276	23.4%	17.5%
2 questions	826	14.0%	159	13.5%	19.2%
3 questions	649	11.0%	114	9.7%	17.6%
4 questions	529	9.0%	113	9.6%	21.4%
5 questions	311	5.3%	60	5.1%	19.3%
6 questions	136	2.3%	25	2.1%	18.4%
7 questions	42	0.7%	11	0.9%	18.6%
8 questions	12	0.2%			
9 to 10 questions	5	0.1%			
Postcode compared with POLAR data					
Prefer not to say or Not applicable	1314	22.2%	199	16.9%	15.1%
Quintile 1 (lowest participation rate in Higher Education)	621	10.5%	106	9.0%	17.1%
Quintile 2	747	12.6%	149	12.7%	19.9%
Quintile 3	822	13.9%	159	13.5%	19.3%
Quintile 4	1071	18.1%	228	19.4%	21.3%
Quintile 5 (highest participation rate in Higher Education)	1335	22.6%	336	28.5%	25.2%