

Subject: On-site Counsellor for Pupils

1. How many secondary schools have an on-site counsellor for pupils? Can you specify which do.

All 8 Secondary Schools in Moray have an on-site Counsellor from Exchange Counselling Service.

Each counsellor has an allocation of 5 pupils (5 individual sessions) per day. The number of days allocated to each school varies depending on the school roll size and other pre-determined factors.

One secondary school has made the decision to continue to engage the services of additional Counsellors who are not employed nor regulated by our Organisation

2. What is the waiting list for counselling in each secondary?

Waiting times for each school are fluid and dependent on the needs of the service/number of referrals received at any given time in the year.

Each young person referred is invited to screening within 10 days of referral date and at this time an assessment of risk is made which informs prioritisation of appointments.

Urgent referrals are invited for commencement of counselling within 2 weeks of screening and in general the waiting time for non-urgent/lower risk is 6 weeks from screening.