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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

- 1. The number of people currently waiting for non-urgent hospital treatment.**

25,245 currently awaiting routine treatment. Of which, 18,863 are un-appointed.

- 2. The latest copy of the plan to tackle this waiting list (this could be a project plan in gantt chart format or product flow format or it could be an OGIM type document (Objectives, Goals, Initiatives, Metrics)).**

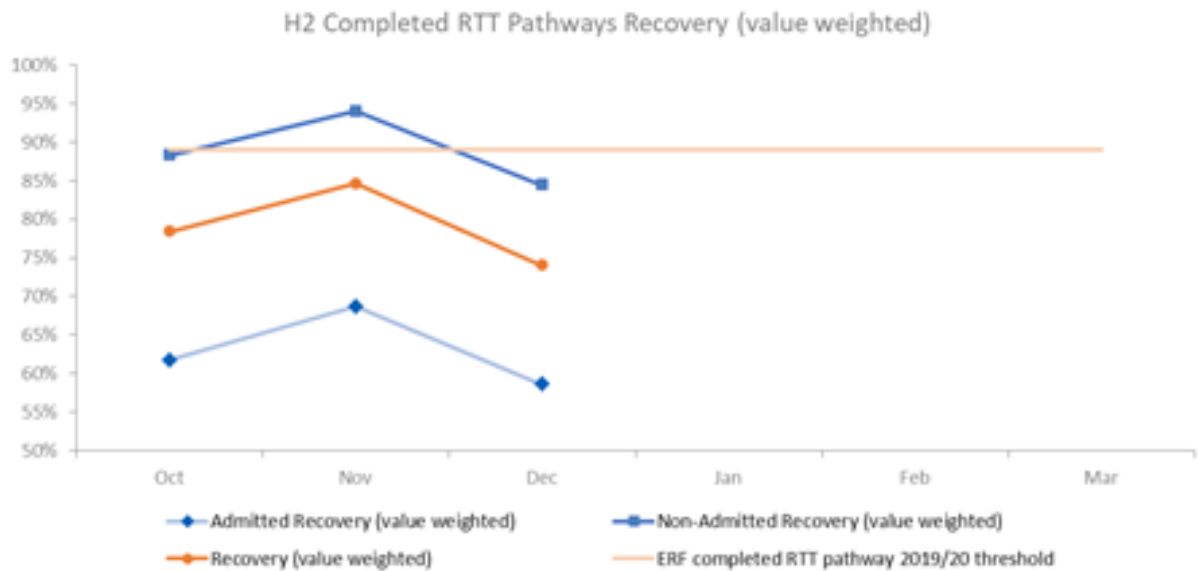
Plans are specialty based and all individual, based on pathway but all specialties / divisions are working toward the achievement of the 2022/23 operational planning guidance which asks providers to restore elective activity to 110% of 2019/20 baseline activity. A link to the guidance is below:

[B1160-2022-23-priorities-and-operational-planning-guidance-v2.pdf](https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/B1160-2022-23-priorities-and-operational-planning-guidance-v2.pdf)
(england.nhs.uk)

3. The latest copy of an internal document describing progress against plan to tackle this waiting list.

The Trust are currently working to the 2021/22 operational planning guidance for H2 (October 2021 – March 2022) where it asks us to deliver 89% of RTT clock stops in comparison to the 2019/20 baseline. A link to this guidance: [Briefing template \(england.nhs.uk\)](https://www.england.nhs.uk/briefing-template)

Please see the chart below showing progress against this:



If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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