

FOI REF: 22/429

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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:

Could you please provide me with the following information relating to physiotherapy waiting lists in the last three years?

Time periods

1st June 2019 – 31st May 2020

1st June 2020 – 31st May 2021

1st June 2021 – 31st May 2022

Information requested:

1. Total number of referrals for physiotherapy for each period

Period	Referrals
01st October 2019 to 31st May 2020	6673
01st June 2020 to 31st May 2021	9132
01st June 2021 to 31st May 2022	15850

2. Number of people on the waiting list for routine physiotherapy at the end of each period

As at	Number Waiting
31st May 2020	3317
31st May 2021	572
31st May 2022	1125

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3. **Number of people on the waiting list for urgent physiotherapy at the end of each period**

As at	Number Waiting
31st May 2020	156
31st May 2021	197
31st May 2022	349

4. **Average waiting time in days for routine physiotherapy following referral for each period**

Period	Average Days Wait
01st Oct 2019 to 31st May 2020	204
01st Jun 2020 to 31st May 2021	110
01st Jun 2021 to 31st May 2022	38

5. **Average waiting time in days for urgent physiotherapy following referral for each period**

Period	Average Days Wait
01st Oct 2019 to 31st May 2020	55
01st Jun 2020 to 31st May 2021	20
01st Jun 2021 to 31st May 2022	19

6. **Average number of days between first and second physiotherapy appointments for each period**

Period	Average Days Wait
01st Oct 2019 to 31 May 2020	23
01st Jun 2020 to 31 May 2021	31
01st Jun 2021 to 31 May 2022	27

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, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely

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