

FOI REF: 23/629

4th October 2023

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:

I am writing to you to request the following information:

- 1) **Diagnostic Colonoscopy Referrals: What is the average waiting time in weeks, by month from end August 2022 – end August 2023 or the most recent month available and the preceding 12 months, for:**
 - a) **Red flag.**
2 weeks.
 - b) **Urgent.**
2 weeks.
 - c) **Non-urgent.**
6 weeks.

- 2) **Diagnostic Flexible Sigmoidoscopy Referrals: What is the average waiting time in weeks, by month from end August 2022 – end August 2023 or the most recent month available and the preceding 12 months, for:**
 - a) **Red flag.**
2 weeks.
 - b) **Urgent.**
2 weeks.

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c) Non-urgent.

6 weeks.

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
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours faithfully

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