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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:

We would like to understand the type of models, capacity and waiting times access to specialist care for children and young people with asthma given to inpatients in your hospital.

We would be grateful if you could respond to the following questions:

- 1) For children and young people with asthma referred by a GP or other community healthcare professionals, what is the waiting time for their first appointment or assessment by a clinical specialist expert in paediatric asthma?**

[20 week wait for first appointment.](#)

- 2) For children and young people with asthma who have suffered an asthma attack and were admitted to hospital through the emergency department or as an emergency referral from a GP or other community healthcare professionals, what is the waiting time for their first appointment or assessment by a clinical specialist expert in paediatric asthma?**

[As above, 20 week wait for first appointment.](#)

- 3) How many children and young people with asthma are currently patients receiving on-going care through your Outpatient system?**

[322.](#)

- 4) How many children and young people in your Outpatient system are currently using some form of digital patient remote monitoring system prescribed to them by a clinical specialist expert in paediatric asthma?**

[None.](#)

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

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Yours sincerely

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