

FOI REF: 24/289

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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:

**A) How many women and girls have been on a waiting list for a gynaecology appointment in East Sussex since January 2023?**

I can confirm that we hold the information requested above. However, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain and can be accessed by the following link:

[Statistics » Referral to Treatment \(RTT\) Waiting Times \(\[england.nhs.uk\]\(http://england.nhs.uk\)\)](#)

This is an absolute exemption and there is, therefore, no requirement to consider the public interest.

**B) How many of those are in Brighton & Hove?**

The total number of Gynaecology waiting list patients living in Brighton and / or under Brighton & Hove CCG, with an RTT pathway start date between 1st January 2023 and 1st April 2024, is 61.

**C) How long have they been waiting for an appointment?**

Section 21 applied please refer to A) above.

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

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The Information Commissioner's Office  
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Yours sincerely

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