

FOI REF: 24/521

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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) Does your Hospital/Trust run a reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic (defined as a gynaecology clinic specifically for those looking to conceive or that may be impacted by infertility)

Yes.

2) If no to question 1: How are referrals for infertility treated at your Hospital/Trust e.g referred to general gynaecology clinic, rejected, referred to an alternative provider

Not applicable.

3) If yes to question 1: How many patients have been seen in this clinic for the last 3 years (please complete table below)

Appointment Type	Apr -21 - Mar 22	Apr -22 - Mar 23	Apr - 23 - Mar 24
New/Initial			
Consultation	385	309	335
Follow Up			
Consultation	591	632	624

4) If yes to question 1: How many patients have been on the waiting list for the last 3 years for New and Follow up consultations in the reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic?(please complete table below)

	Apr -21 -	Apr -22 -	Apr - 23 -
Number of patients on waiting list	Mar 22	Mar 23	Mar 24
New/Initial Consultation	2	122	204
Follow Up Consultation	0	18	22

5) If yes to question 1: How many patients are currently on the New Consultation waiting list for a reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic?

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6) If yes to question 1: How many patients are currently on the Follow Up Consultation waiting list for a reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic?

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7) If yes to question 1: What has been the average weeks wait for New and Follow Up consultations in the reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic for the last 3 years? (please complete table below)

Average number of weeks wait	Apr -21 - Mar 22	Apr -22 - Mar 23	Apr - 23 - Mar 24
New/Initial Consultation	16.0	16.0	19.6
Follow Up Consultation	20.5	12.1	14.3

8) If yes to question 1: What is the current average weeks wait for New and Follow Up consultations in the reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic

Average number of weeks wait	Jul-24	
New/Initial Consultation	20.4	
Follow Up Consultation	15.9	

9) If yes to question 1: What is the longest wait time currently for a New and Follow Up consultations in the reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic

Average number of weeks wait	Jul-24
New/Initial Consultation	45.1
Follow Up Consultation	47.0

10) If yes to question 1: How many patients have been seen for a New or Follow Up consultation in the reproductive medicine or sub-fertility clinic in the last 3 years? (please complete table below)

	Apr -21 -	Apr -22 -	Apr - 23 -
Patients Seen	Mar 22	Mar 23	Mar 24
New/Initial Consultation	385	309	335
Follow Up Consultation	591	632	624

11) If yes to questions 1: What are the names of the doctors providing this service

Mr David Chui and Mr Jamal Zaidi.

12) If yes to question 1: What is the new to follow up ratio for this clinic for the past 3 years (please complete table below)

New to follow up ratio	Apr -21 - Mar 22	Apr -22 - Mar 23	Apr - 23 - Mar 24
New/Initial Consultation			
Follow Up Consultation			

Please see response below.

1 new to 1.5 follow-ups in FY 2021/2022 1 new to 2.0 follow-ups in FY 2022/2023 1 new to 1.9 follow-ups in FY 202320/24.

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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