

FOI REF: 25/160

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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:

**Please provide the following data on waiting times for gynaecological appointments, for the period between January 1st, 2019 to the current date. Please send me:**

- 1) **The total number of patients currently on waiting lists for a gynaecology appointment. If available, please provide this broken down by calendar year for the time period referred to above.**

5,448.

- 2) **The average waiting time (in weeks) for a gynaecology appointment. If the information is available, please break this information down by type of referral (routine, urgent, etc.) or the type of appointment (general gynaecology, colposcopy, fertility, endometriosis etc.) – If a full breakdown is not possible please provide any aggregated data you can.**

- Routine General Gynaecology – 47 weeks.
- Urgent General Gynaecology – 28 weeks.
- Urogynaecology – 74 weeks.
- Fertility – 24 weeks.

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- 3) **The average waiting time (in weeks) from referral to confirmed diagnosis. If the information is available please break this information down by condition (e.g. endometriosis, polycystic ovary syndrome, fibroids, other (please specify if available)). If providing waiting times by condition is not possible, please provide an overall average for all gynaecological diagnoses.**

The Trust does not record the waiting time from referral to confirmed diagnosis, therefore we do not hold this information.

- 4) **The total number of patients diagnosed with the above conditions in the time period mentioned above. If this is unfeasible, please provide this data for the most recent full year available.**

The Trust does not record this data, therefore we do not hold this information.

- 5) **The average waiting time (in weeks) from diagnosis to treatment, broken down by condition (e.g. endometriosis, polycystic ovary syndrome, fibroids, other (please specify if available)). If providing waiting times by condition is not possible, please provide an overall average for all gynaecological diagnoses.**

The Trust does not record the waiting time from diagnosis to treatment, therefore we do not hold this information.

- 6) **The number of patients currently awaiting surgery for gynaecological conditions. If available, please provide a breakdown by condition.**

519 (Breakdown by condition not available).

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](mailto: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:

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Wycliffe House  
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Yours sincerely

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