

Reference FOI202223//579

Number:

From: Other

Date: 09 February 2023

Subject: Paediatric waiting times

Could you please provide the following information relating to general anaesthesia (GA) paediatric dental waiting times for children under 18 in hospitals managed by your Trust.

Please note, the answers to all questions refer to Paediatric Dentistry as a whole, as the data sources that we use to answer questions relating to waiting lists don't specify the type of anaesthetic that is going to be used if the patient has Surgery.

Q1 Total number of children currently on your waiting lists and for each of the past five years.

A1

	Inpatient	Outpatient	
Jan-23	451	7922	
Jan-22	450	7245	
Jan-21	Information not held	Information not held	
Jan-20	Information not held	Information not held	
Jan-19	Information not held	Information not held	
Jan-18	Information not held	Information not held	

2018-2021: Information not held - we are unable to provide these figures as we were not taking snapshots of our complete waiting lists in sufficient detail that would enable is to identify a record as belonging to Dentistry until 2022.

Q2 The average waiting time from referral to treatment by year for each of the past five years.

A2

	Inpatient	Outpatient	
Jan-23	38	16	
Jan-22	Jan-22 37 16		
Jan-21	Information not held	Information not held	
Jan-20	Information not held	Information not held	
Jan-19	Information not held	Information not held	
Jan-18	Information not held	Information not held	

2018-2021: Information not held - we are unable to provide these figures as we were not taking snapshots of our complete waiting lists in sufficient detail that would enable is to identify a record as belonging to Dentistry until 2022.

- Q3 The total number of children currently on the waiting list who have waited more than
 - a. six months
 - b. one year
 - c. 18 months



NHS Foundation Trust

	Λ	-	7
	Ш		<
- 1	_		
-		٠,	_

	Inpatient PTL	Outpatient PTL
a. More than 6 months	109	519
b. More than 12 months	160	75
		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information
c. More than 18 months	11	would likely identify individuals involved.

Q4 The five longest waits faced by people currently on the waiting list in days.

1	Λ	1	1
1	٦	۷	

Weeks	Procedure
91	Restoration of part of tooth using filling
81	Restoration Of Tooth
80	Extraction Of Single Tooth
79	Examination under Anaesthesia of Mouth
79	Multiple Dental Extractions

The number of children (under 18s) who have a surgical procedure cancelled or delayed at your trust, in each of the past five calendar years (2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018).

A5 Please see attached document: FOI 579 Response

Please note, the question does not provide specific details regarding if the request is referring to on-the-day or all cancellations, clinical or non-clinical cancellations, or referring to patient or hospital-initiated cancellations. Therefore, we have provided all timescales, and all reasons apart from procedures that are brought forward or no longer required.

The Trust is unable to respond to all or specific elements of your request where the response would indicate five or less individuals. The Trust is withholding this information under Section 40 (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000 to reduce the risk of any individuals being identified. The Trust is of the view that disclosure of such information would significantly increase the risk of individuals being identified and as such would constitute a breach of their personal data.

The Trust has applied exemption Section 40(2) of the FOIA and is therefore withholding the information as disclosure which may identify an individual would breach their rights under the Data Protection Act 2018. The grounds for application of this exemption include:

- Any data relating to patients or staff is third party data, furthermore health data is
 classified as sensitive personal data within the Data Protection Act 2018. As such,
 Section 40 (2) of the FOIA applies along with the Trusts duty of confidentiality. Therefore
 under s.2 (3) (f) (ii) of the FOIA, there is an absolute exemption from disclosure on the
 grounds that it would contravene the First Data Protection Principle.
- The Trust has a duty under the Data Protection Act 2018 and specifically the First Data
 Protection Principle to ensure personal data regarding staff and patients is processed
 fairly and lawfully. Disclosure of such data which may identify an individual, either through
 the data alone or other data in conjunction with that data which may identify an individual
 would therefore breach this principle.



NHS Foundation Trust

 The Data Protection Act 2018 defines sensitive personal data to include data relating to the "physical or mental health or condition" of a person. Any such information about specific individuals falls within this category and disclosure of such data including statistical data, with any potential likelihood of identification would breach the Data Protection Act 2018. includes all cancellation reasons (hospital and patient-initiated) includes all cancellation timescules (on the day cancellations, plus cancellations before the planned op day) excludes operations that are touright forward or perations that are no longer needed

-	excludes operations that are brought forward or ope	-			
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Patient/Parent/Guardian Cancellation Patient III	63	91	87	102	125
	38	25	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	75	
Patient Date Unsuitable-not suspended	38	25	individuals involved.		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
Hospital Cancelled due to Coronavirus	0	o d	31	29	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Pt Cancelled OPD/TCI in Advance due to Coronavirus Risk				16	
		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify
Surgical Preferences	13	individuals involved.	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	individuals involved.
Starvation Issues	g	6	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	
Patient/Family isolating due to COVID- 19 exposure	0	o c	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	10	1
Starving Issue	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved	6	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved
		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	
Referrer Request Cancelation	12	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify
Patient Refusal Patient III with Coronavirus	8	individuals involved.	individuals involved.	individuals involved.	individuals involved.
Anaesthetist Unavailable	14	0	0		
Surgical Concerns	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Patient Holiday	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	0		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Anaesthetic Concerns		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Anaestnetic Concerns No Ward Bed	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
No Ward Bed No Ward Staff Availability	inaviadals involved. 7	0	individuals involved.	individuals involved.)
		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify			Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved
Surgeon Unavailable	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	0		inaviauals involved.
Reason Not Specified - Patient	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	0	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
Doctor Request Delay	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	0	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
List Overrun	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	0	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
Refused In Anaesthetic Room	0	C	0	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Patient Unfit	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	o o	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	
			Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify		
No Contact	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	C	Individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify		
Inappropriate Priority	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	C	individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	
Currently Inpatient	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	0	0	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
Clinic Cancelled	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.		0		data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Anaesthetic Preference			Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved
	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	THE STATE OF THE S	_	The state of the s
Consent Issue	individuals involved.	individuals involved.	0		Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify
Outpatient Appointment Not Required	C	C	0	C	Individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data Providing this information would likely identify.
Premedication Required	C	C	0	C	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
Doctor Request for Urgent Patient	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal	0	C	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Priority Changed For Other Reason	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	O C	c	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal
Technical Issue - Patient	0	0	0	C	data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.
Reason Not Specified - Provider	0	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify individuals involved.	0		
	Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify included involved.				
CB -Clinic Cancelled (Provider)	individuals involved. Information exempted under Section 40: Personal data. Providing this information would likely identify	C	0	(
No Parents Grand Total	individuals involved.	226	0 103	244	20
Grana I Vidi	270	236	192	244	- 28