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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the FOI Act.

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act I seek the following information:

1. What is the current (or most recent figure available) average waiting time in your Trust for patients who have been referred by a consultant or other doctor for NHS-funded IVF to start receiving treatment? [Approx. 5-6 weeks \(depending on their CCG\)](#)
2. Does the trust also offer patients the option of self-funding or private IVF? [Yes](#)
3. If yes to Q2, what is the current (or most recent figure available) average waiting time for patients to start receiving private/self-funding IVF treatment offered through the Trust after being referred by a consultant or other doctor? [4-6weeks](#)
4. Please state: A) the cost to the Trust of one standard cycle of IVF for patients receiving NHS-funded treatment. [Variable depending on the provider](#) B) If yes to Q2, the price for one standard cycle of IVF for patients who self-fund and/or opt for private treatment offered through the Trust. [Approx £4600 plus drugs](#)
5. A) Please state how many consultants are employed by the NHS Trust to work in the fertility department. [One](#)
B) Of these, please state how many also work privately. [One](#)
6. A) Are NHS-funded patients approved for IVF treatment offered the choice of any paid-for extra treatments or additional procedures when they undergo IVF at the Trust? [No](#) B) If yes, please list each additional treatment or procedure available, along with its price.

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Chairman: Robert Armstrong
Chief Executive: Andrew Foster CBE



**Rob Forster, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Finance and IM & T
Chief Executive**

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