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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.

1. *The average length of waiting time (in days) for women choosing to have an abortion from and to, including the date of their initial referral appointment to the date of abortion, for NHS-funded **surgical** abortions for 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.*

Average days wait for inpatient/outpatient surgical abortions from referral to attendance.

2012 – 13.99
2013 – 12.86
2014 – 13.64
2015 – 23.21
2016 – 16.46

2. *The average length of waiting time (in days) for women choosing to have an abortion from and to, including the date of their initial referral appointment to the date of abortion for NHS-funded **medical** abortions for 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.*

Average days wait for inpatient/outpatient medical abortions from referral to attendance.

2012 – 11.94
2013 – 11.39
2014 – 9.77
2015 – 8.92
2016 – 9.06

NB: I am requesting the length in days from the initial referral appointment or date of self-referral, not the consultation appointment that precedes the termination.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Foster', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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