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Date Received: 23rd June 2025

Response Due: 21st July 2025

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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 23rd June 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

- 1. How many patients are currently awaiting a Continuing Healthcare (CHC) assessment within your Trust?
 - 0. CHC MDTs are not undertaken in an acute setting as per NHS Performance standards. The Trust only completes CHC assessments for patients within the Trust in exceptional circumstances. This is done by completion of a CHC checklist that is then sent to the ICB. The full assessment is completed when the patient has been discharged from hospital.
- 2. What percentage of your overall bed base is currently occupied by patients awaiting a CHC assessment?

 N/A.
- 3. How long have these patients been waiting for a CHC assessment? Please provide a breakdown by time bands (e.g., 0–7 days, 8–14 days, 15–30 days, 31+ days), if available. N/A.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Brennan Chief Operating Officer

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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111