

NHS Foundation Trust

Information Governance Department

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Date Received: 10th November 2025

Response Due: 8th December 2025

Date: 24th November 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 10th November 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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following recorded information for your Trust.

Where data is unavailable, please indicate that, and if only partial data is available, please provide what you can.

For your convenience, you can provide your answers in the tables below.

Requested information

Are your local GPs able to request neurology MRI scans at your Trust?	Yes
Do admitted neurology patients have access to MRI 7 days a week?	Yes
What % of neurology patients have their MRI test within 14 days from request from the most recent data available?	63.7%
What % of neurology patients receive their MRI results within 14 days of the test from the most recent data available?	98.5%
What % of neurology patients received a diagnosis within 6 weeks from the time the diagnostic test was sent from the most recent data available?	80.7%
How many MRI scanners are there in your trust? For any of these scanners, please state the year of installation and the TESLA rating (1.5 TESLA, 3 TESLA, 7 TESLA).	4 - Please see the table below

How many neuro-radiologists do you have in your trust?	1
Is there access to MRI and specialist neuroradiological opinion 24 hours a day?	No

MRI scanners table

Scanner	Year of installation	Tesla rating
1	2020	1.5
2	2023	1.5
3	2023	1.5
4	2025	3.0

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,

Hazel Hendriksen

Director of Operations – Specialist Services & Surgery Division

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