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Response Due: 26th June 2024

Date: 21st June 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 24th May 2024, 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:

Please provide the following data for the financial years 2019-20 through to the end of 2023-24.

- 1. Total theatre sessions where a start time was recorded**
- 2. Of the total above, the number that started late**
- 3. Of the late starts, the average length of the delay from the planned start time (in minutes)**
- 4. The average inter-case downtime from all theatre sessions**

If you could provide the info in the form of the table below, that would be really helpful.

	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1. Total theatre sessions where a start time was recorded	5,058	2,237	4,154	4,736	4,751
2. Of the above total, the number of sessions that started late	3,178	1,613	2,762	3,040	2,785
3. Of the late starts, the average length of the delay from planned start time (in minutes)	27:10	34:39	30:04	27:35	26:21
4. The average inter-case downtime (mins)	07:36	14:13	08:31	07:56	07:14

*Data Applies to elective theatres sessions only.

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,



Claire Wannell
Interim Chief Operating Officer

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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
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