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Date Received: 5th April 2024

Response Due: 3rd May 2024

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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 5th April 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:

The number of patients waiting longer than 65 weeks for elective treatment at your trust as of 1st April 2024.

This data is currently being reviewed, when this has been completed the information will be published online at <u>Statistics</u> » Consultant-led Referral to Treatment Waiting Times Data 2023-24 (england.nhs.uk).

The data can be found by accessing the latest months 'Incomplete Provider' spreadsheet and filtering column 'D' to 'Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust'. The patients waiting longer than 65 weeks will show in column 'DO'.

Therefore, the information is being refused under section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act

Information intended for future publication.

(1) Information is exempt information if-

(a)the information is held by the public authority with a view to its publication, by the authority or any other person, at some future date (whether determined or not),

(b)the information was already held with a view to such publication at the time when the request for information was made, and

(c)it is reasonable in all the circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure until the date referred to in paragraph (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,

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Richard Mundon Director of Strategy and Planning

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