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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

REQUEST

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you provide me with information on A&E waits from decision to admit to admission.

The number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission in the months March to November including the months March and November for each year since March 2019 to November 2023

The number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission in the months December to February including the months December and February for each year since December 2019 to February 2024

The proportion of A&E waits that were 24-hours or longer from decision to admit to admission in the months March to November including the months March and November for each year since March 2019 to November 2023

The proportion of A&E waits that were 24-hours or longer from decision to admit to admission in the months December to February including the months December and February for each year since December 2019 to February 2024.

The longest A&E wait from decision to admit to admission in the months March to November 2024

The longest A&E wait from decision to admit to admission in the months December 2023 and February 2024

Could all of these questions be broken down between all waits and those aged over 65.

Could all these questions also be broken down by ECDS coding:

- 1) Immediate emergency care*
- 2) Very urgent emergency care*
- 3) Urgent emergency care*
- 4) Standard emergency care*
- 5) Low acuity emergency care*

RESPONSE

Where the results are less than 5 figures have not been given as they may potentially be patient identifiable

Questions 3 to 6 we are unable to provide a breakdown by age and ECDS coding

1. *The number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission in the months March to November including the months March and November for each year since March 2019 to November 2023*

	Number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission (all waits)	Number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission (patients over 65)	ECDS Acuity occurred most (all waits)
Mar-Nov 2019	<5	<5	Standard emergency care
Mar-Nov 2020	0	0	-
Mar-Nov 2021	14	10	Very urgent emergency care
Mar-Nov 2022	115	76	Very urgent emergency care
Mar-Nov 2023	48	27	Very urgent emergency care

2. *The number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission in the months December to February including the months December and February for each year since December 2019 to February 2024*

	Number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission (all waits)	Number of 24-hour A&E delays from decision to admit to admission (patients over 65)	ECDS Acuity occurred most (all waits)
Dec 19 – Feb 20	<5	<5	Very urgent emergency care
Dec 20 – Feb 21	28	22	Very urgent emergency care
Dec 21 – Feb 22	12	<5	Very urgent emergency care
Dec 22 – Feb 23	7	7	Urgent emergency care
Dec 23 – Feb 24	29	22	Very urgent emergency care

3. *The proportion of A&E waits that were 24-hours or longer from decision to admit to admission in the months March to November including the months March and November for each year since March 2019 to November 2023*

	Proportion of waits 24 hours or longer from decision to admit to admission for March to November
2019	0.01%
2020	0.00%
2021	0.05%
2022	0.27%
2023	0.10%

4. *The proportion of A&E waits that were 24-hours or longer from decision to admit to admission in the months December to February including the months December and February for each year since December 2019 to February 2024.*

	Proportion of waits 24 hours or longer from decision to admit to admission for December to February
2019/2020	0.03%
2020/2021	0.32%
2021/2022	0.09%
2022/2023	0.04%
2023/2024	0.17%

5. *The longest A&E wait from decision to admit to admission in the months March to November 2024*
= 108 hours
6. *The longest A&E wait from decision to admit to admission in the months December 2023 and February 2024*
= 102 hours

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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