

Ref: FOI/2024/9606

Date Received: 8th February 2024

Response Due: 7th March 2024

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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 8th February 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:

1. **What is the maximum number of wet-AMD injections you can facilitate in a week?**
The Trust is unable to provide this data down to this granularity.
2. **A) Do you run out-of-hours lists to keep up with demand for wet-AMD injections?**
Yes
- B) If you are running additional lists, how are these lists being accommodated?**
Overtime
- C) If you are running additional lists, are you utilising any alternative clinical space?**
No
3. **A) What is the current waiting time for patients to secure an appointment for Wet-AMD injections?**
2 weeks
- B) What was the wait time at the same point in time in 2023?**
2 weeks
4. **A) How many patients are currently waiting for an appointment at a wet-AMD clinic?**
0

B) What was the wait time at the same point in time in 2023?

0

5. A) Do you have a contingency plan to increase capacity should this be required?

Yes

B) If so, what is your contingency plan for wet-AMD injections?

The Trust are flexible with job plans and create extra capacity.

GENERAL CAPACITY:

6. Are you outsourcing any ophthalmology clinical work to external parties or utilising insourcing partners? If so, what?

No

7. What condition takes up the majority of your clinical slots?

Retina and glaucoma

8. Would you consider a mobile unit as an option to expand services and capacity?

No

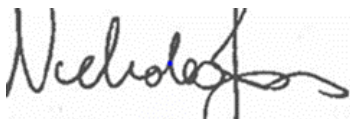
9. What is the name and contact details of the Ophthalmology Service Lead?

Mr Manoj Mathai

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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,



Nicholas Jones
Interim Director of Operations and Performance

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