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Response Due: 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

**If you can't provide this information, please can you provide as close as possible relating to Urology.**

- 1. Breakdown of the number of patients per month for the last 12 months that have come in for a procedure.**

Please see attached spreadsheet.

- 2. The date they were referred.**

Please see attached spreadsheet.

- 3. When they were operated on.**

Please see attached spreadsheet.

- 4. Average waiting time per month between referral date of procedure.**

Please see attached spreadsheet.

- 5. Do they have outpatient appointments? If so, how many?**

Please see attached spreadsheet.

- 6. The number of missed or DNA appointments for the department.**

Please see attached spreadsheet.

## 7. Number of Face-to-face vs Virtual appointments?

Please see attached spreadsheet.

## 8. How many staff members are in the urology?

We have 6 consultants in post, 2 SAS (middle grade doctors) 2 deanery Specialist registrars, 1 core trainee and 2 FY 1 doctors.

## 9. Can a named list or department structure be provided where possible?

We have 1 x band 8 lead specialist nurse and 4 WTE band 7 CNS, 1 x band 6 CNS, Associated dedicated urology outpatient's staff.

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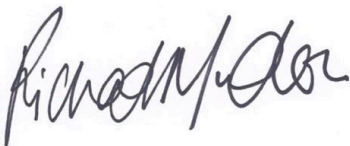
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- b) Disclosure may cause damage or distress to the individual(s) involved, and that damage or distress would be unwarranted (section 10 of the DPA).

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Yours sincerely,



Richard Mundon  
Director of Strategy and Planning

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