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Date: 6th November 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

How many patients are currently on your trust's waiting list for a cancer diagnostic test? Please see below.

How many patients were on your trust's waiting list for a cancer diagnostic test 12 months ago? Please see below.

What is the longest time a patient has had to wait for a cancer diagnostic test in the last 12 months?

Please see below.

How many cancer diagnostic tests have been cancelled by your trust for non-clinical reasons in the last 12 months?

Please see below.

What is the highest number of times a cancer diagnostic test for one patient has been cancelled by your trust for non-clinical reasons in the last 12 months?

Please be advised this is not centrally recorded.

To locate the information it would require a manual count of going through the last 12 months paper diaries which would take over 18 hours.

Refusal Notice for question(s) - The information that you have requested is exempt under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act because it will take more than 18 hours to retrieve and extract the relevant information.

12. — (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

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,

Hazel Hendriksen

Director of Operations and Performance

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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