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Waiting Times

The Northern Health & Social Care Trust monitors waiting time performance against a number of Departmental targets on a monthly basis to include Inpatients, Daycases, Outpatients, Diagnostics and AHP's. This report is a summary of the Trust waiting times performance presenting waiting times by specialty.

Summary Positions

Elective In-patients and Day Case Waiters -

As at 31/03/2019 there were;

- 2776 NHSCT patients waiting over 13 weeks (Inpatient / Day Case)
- 389 NHSCT patients waiting over 52 weeks
- 48% NHSCT patients were waiting within 13 weeks

Table 1(a): IP/DC Core Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/2019 (exc. Endoscopy)

Speciality																																					Total	Longest	Total	% < 13
DAYCASE	>13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	>45-52	>52	>13 wks	Waiter	Waiters	wks		
CARDIOLOGY (C)	1	6	11	11	6	5	5	16	4	2	3	4	2	1																						77	26	223	65%	
DENT LEARN DIS/SPEC NEEDS (C)		1	1	1	8	4						3	1			2							1										1			23	44	52	56%	
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)		7	6	2				1	1	1		1			1		1							1									1			23	46	228	90%	
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	5	4	17	8	9	15	6	5	6	4	3		8	8	4	12	4	3	6	9	3	4	5	7	9	3	1	3	5	7	4	5	28	19	239	144	485	51%		
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	2	9	32	32	14	12	28	20	18	15	13	15	13	10	12	9	3	11	6	7	2	4	9	5	4	1	2	3	1	1	2		3	4	322	68	917	65%		
GENERAL SURGERY (IS)																																	1			1	45	1	0%	
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)	3	2	1						1	2			1		2										1									1			14	62	29	52%
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	2	4	3	11	7	14	6	6	6	4	9	7	1	7	7	4	5	2	3	3	3	1	6		3	4		3	5	5	3	4	12	18	178	80	481	63%		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)	6	10	16	22	31	17	11	7	13	10	8	14	20	14	26	11	13	8	5	25	8	11	8	15	7	4	16	10	10	2	5	7	47	47	484	80	684	29%		
INPATIENT	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	>45-52	>52						
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	5	10	18	16	14	21	10	23	18	19	15	14	18	15	9	18	17	19	14	16	12	9	15	12	8	13	16	14	10	3	8	11	44	82	566	151	816	31%		
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)				1																			1													2		35	2	0%
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	1	10	6	12	11	15	16	9	9	9	12	17	14	13	13	9	11	5	5	3	6	11	15	11	5	3	7	14	7	11	10	4	53	147	504	132	714	29%		
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)		1		2	1					1			1	2			1	1		1	2			2	1	2		2		1			7	31	59	197	89	34%		
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	1	9	10	11	7	9	7	12	4	9	6	7	5	9	8	8	7	9	3	10	9	6	2	5	5	9	4	1	3	3	9	3	33	40	283	82	450	37%		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)																1																				1		28	1	0%
TOTAL	26	73	121	129	108	112	89	99	80	76	69	82	84	79	82	74	62	58	42	74	45	46	62	58	43	39	46	50	41	33	41	35	229	389	2776					

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC– run date 08/04/2019)

Notes:

- Waiting list figures are validated weekly by operational staff.
- Table 1(a) excludes Visiting Consultant Waiters.
- Right hand columns refer to the total number of patients waiting in the Trust over 13 weeks, and also the longest wait for an operation within a particular specialty as at month end.
- Patients are grouped into weeks waiting, i.e. 52 weeks equals 364 – 370 days. Patients waiting >52 weeks (364 – 370 days) will therefore be included in the 52 week group. Only those patients waiting exactly 52 weeks in this column are not breachers.

NHSCT Outpatient Waiters –

As at 31/03/2019 there were;

- 30402 NHSCT patients waiting over 9 weeks Outpatients (inc. IS Transfers)
- 12407 NHSCT patients waiting over 52 weeks (inc. IS Transfers)
- 29% NHSCT patients were seen within 9 weeks

Table 2(a): OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/2019

Speciality	Weeks Waiting																																		Total >9 wks	Longest Waiter	Total Waiters	% < 9 wks											
	>9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42					43	44	>45-52	>52							
CARDIOLOGY (C)	72	44	69	34	23	44	52	44	37	40	38	18	24	22	22	11	2																						1	597	254	1154	48%						
CARDIOLOGY RAPID ACCESS (C)	21	19	13	2	5	2		1	4																																	67	17	568	88%				
CARE OF OLDER PERSONS (C)	8	11	5	2	1	3		3	2	2	2	3	2	3					1		1																					52	42	214	76%				
CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY (C)			1			1																																					3	17	33	91%			
COLPOSCOPY - GYNAE (C)	8	13	1	1	5																																							28	13	227	88%		
DERMATOLOGY (C)	42	51	45	28	18	35	23	43	50	63	43	48	49	54	56	35	51	41	48	47	47	37	58	57	48	48	65	47	44	40	77	49	49	53	37	45	394	1678	3743	107	4586	18%							
DERMATOLOGY (IS)								1																																				2	31	20	90%		
DIABETIC (C)	3	2		2																																								7	12	149	95%		
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	164	132	122	56	44	111	100	104	105	136	179	95	105	114	100	104	110	103	99	116	96	86	122	109	75	95	81	73	54	74	82	84	101	86	66	84	580	3614	7761	133	9695	20%							
ENDOCRINOLOGY (C)	10	7	6	11	5	11	17	14	21	14	15	10	17	12	10	9	8	16	13	16	6	7	11	11	9	15	7	13	5	11	9	4	13	8	4	5	44	193	617	102	765	19%							
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)	57	48	47	14	32	30	44	45	60	37	40	48	42	44	40	47	52	39	47	38	35	34	38	44	34	38	41	35	20	24	40	24	39	27	18	27	273	1911	3553	123	4149	14%							
GENERAL MEDICINE (C)	2	2	8	7	1	2		4	1	2	2	3	1	1	2	2	3	1	1																										45	27	117	62%	
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	157	126	129	79	44	95	84	106	78	64	79	78	60	76	56	68	65	69	56	71	58	29	64	40	36	54	53	29	22	26	30	39	23	24	10	23	140	320	2660	132	4518	41%							
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)	18	18	8	8	2	5	4	5	2	4	3	2	8	3	4		2	1																											97	26	619	84%	
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	100	84	87	33	17	52	49	84	66	54	67	40	49	75	69	82	72	49	54	59	49	18	11	4			1	1	1		2													1	1330	67	2599	49%	
HAEMATOLOGY (C)	2	7	5	5	2	2	10	8	4	3	12	5	3	7	9	7	8	1	2	5	11	3	5	6	6	6	8	5	8	4	3	8	4	5	10	8	36	56	299	70	414	28%							
HYSTEROSCOPY (C)	8	2	3		3	1	3	5	4	2	1		3		2	6	3																												46	25	202	77%	
MIRENA - GYNAE (C)	1		3	1																																									5	12	48	90%	
NEPHROLOGY (C)		1		1																																									2	12	79	97%	
NEUROLOGY (C)	23	28	22	13	8	16	18	22	19	26	9	3	15	15	12	13	12	11	9	13	8	6	12	15	19	10	8	7	9	8	10	11	7	13	8	6	84	1057	1605	146	1815	12%							
ORTHODONTICS (C)	8	6	9		1	2	6	2	10	1	4	7	4	4	2	8	5	10	4	2	6	4	5	4	6	2	2	2	1																127	37	199	36%	
PAEDIATRIC MEDICINE (C)	74	120	90	44	44	48	76	56	59	52	50	33	26	22	15	18	20	14	10	8	14	1	2	9	4	7	1				1												1	919	54	2107	54%		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)	23	27	18	11	14	27	20	30	23	17	28	8	29	22	19	23	28	18	18	38	23	14	26	30	24	15	30	31	19	23	33	29	24	31	36	50	217	780	1876	96	2152	13%							
RHEUMATOLOGY (C)	35	16	26	16	18	33	40	35	27	33	43	33	29	26	34	31	18	21	25	20	22	6	20	17	12	20	20	14	11	24	28	17	17	27	15	23	167	1318	2337	117	2794	16%							
STROKE (C)										1	4																																			5	20	9	44%
THORACIC MEDICINE (C)	33	28	35	15	12	34	31	24	35	22	32	27	22	25	24	20	32	32	29	29	25	22	25	19	31	26	23	22	22	20	23	37	23	39	12	31	201	1477	2619	120	3164	17%							
Total	869	792	752	383	299	554	577	636	608	572	648	465	488	525	476	484	491	426	416	462	401	267	400	366	304	336	340	279	216	255	338	302	300	314	216	302	2136	12407	30402										

(Source: Information Services – Acute, OP – run date 08/04/2019)

Notes:

- Waiting list figures are validated weekly by operational staff.
- Table 3(a) excludes ICATs and Visiting Consultant waiters.
- Community Paediatric (non PAS) included from 31st March 2013
- Patients are grouped into weeks waiting, i.e. 52 weeks equals 364 -370 days. Patients waiting >15 weeks (364 - 370 days) will therefore be included in the 52 week group. Only those waiting exactly 52 weeks in this column are not breachers.

Table 2(b): Visiting Consultant OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/2019

- 25% NHSCT Patients waiting within 9 weeks

Speciality	Weeks Waiting																																Total >9 wks	Longest Waiter	Total Waiters	% < 9 wks							
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40					41	42	43	44	>45-52	>52	
DENTAL SURGERY (C)	4	4	4	1	3	2	13	5	7	10	9	9	3	11	6	7	13	15	4	11	9	9	2	5	12	4	1	5	3	12	5	7	5	5	2	2	53	456	738	228	797	7%	
NEUROLOGY (C)	5	6	5	3		2	1	2	4	4	7	4	4	3	5	5	7	5	5	2	6	5	5	4	4	4	6	5	3	4	5	3	6	6	8	6	36	633	828	230	879	6%	
NEUROLOGY VISITING (C)	1	1	1																																					3	11	7	57%
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	20	16	21	8	8	23	16	13	25	24	18	15	13	19	20	11	39	23	14	25	16	14	16	15	18	12	12	7	2	3	3	2	2		1			494	43	815	39%		
ORTHOPAEDICS (C)									1																															1	17	5	80%
PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY (C)																																				1	1			2	44	216	99%
Total	30	27	31	12	11	27	30	20	37	38	34	28	20	33	31	23	59	43	23	38	31	28	23	24	34	20	19	17	8	19	13	12	13	11	12	9	89	1089	2066				

(Source: Information Services – Acute OP Breach – run date 08/04/2019)

Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Routine

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in March 2019 for their first outpatient attendance. It is calculated as an average of the difference between:

1. The scheduled appointment date and the effective current date i.e. excluding DNA's and cancellations
2. Urgent Patients are excluded

Table 3(a):

Specialty	Apr-18	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19
Breast Surgery	7	8	15	10	12	12	13	15	13	13	13	12
Cardiology	5	5	6	7	8	8	9	12	10	13	12	11
Colposcopy	6	15	11	10	12	12	9	14	10	8	8	6
Dermatology	7	14	29	7	6	16	6	40	23	7	5	2
ENT	65	67	46	38	52	69	49	39	60	59	59	65
Gastroenterology	92	95	103	98	83	91	100	86	73	80	75	99
General Surgery	32	31	32	37	32	34	37	34	29	29	32	32
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	19	18	18	16	18	19	19	17	18	17	17	18
Haematology	35	33	29	15	no activity	21	28	12	9	7	51	40
General Medicine	8	11	9	9	8	11	22	8	9	10	12	9
Nephrology	7	6	6	7	8	10	9	8	6	7	7	5
Neurology	93	116	97	100	98	98	117	132	115	151	110	96
Paediatric Medicine	19	17	17	18	17	17	18	19	33	18	16	16
Pain Management	85	62	77	74	64	70	61	65	72	64	76	76
Rheumatology	127	74	65	67	71	70	66	70	53	36	38	29
Thoracic	33	25	51	60	64	63	58	65	67	56	64	81

Note: General Medicine includes Chemical Pathology, Diabetics & Endocrinology
 Activity Recorded in Weeks & Numbers Rounded and includes Cancers & Waiting List Initiative
 ICATS excluded
 As at 01/04/2019

Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Urgent

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in March 2019 for their first outpatient attendance. It is calculated as an average of the difference between:

1. the scheduled appointment date and the effective current date i.e. excluding DNAs and cancellations
2. Showing Urgent Patients

Table 3 (b):

Specialty	Apr-18	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19
Breast Surgery	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	1	1	1	2	2
Cardiology	5	5	5	6	7	6	4	5	5	6	8	8
Colposcopy	3	3	2	2	2	3	6	7	2	6	2	4
Dermatology	5	4	4	5	5	5	6	10	8	12	9	7
ENT	13	9	9	12	12	13	13	11	16	16	12	13
Gastroenterology	10	12	14	11	16	19	12	12	14	13	13	10
General Surgery	7	7	8	8	7	9	8	8	8	9	9	10
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	5	5	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	5
Haematology	6	6	7	6	9	5	6	7	8	5	5	6
General Medicine	5	6	7	7	7	8	6	6	5	6	5	8
Nephrology	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	10	4	6	6	6
Neurology	36	26	16	32	20	39	21	23	36	27	32	34
Paediatric Medicine	10	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	4
Pain Management	28	26	20	27	48	54	26	12	32	17	18	17
Rheumatology	20	19	18	13	17	19	19	22	21	20	20	18
Thoracic	8	8	9	6	7	7	7	7	11	8	7	9

Note: General Medicine includes Chemical Pathology, Diabetics & Endocrinology
 Activity Recorded in Weeks & Numbers Rounded and includes Cancers & Waiting List Initiative
 ICATS excluded
 As at 01/04/2019

Diagnostics – As at 31/03/2019 – 48% of patients were waiting < 9 weeks for a diagnostic test with 7336 patients waiting over 26 weeks.

TABLE 4: Waiting List Position as of 31/03/2019

	0-3 Weeks (0 - 21 days)	>3 to 6 weeks (22 - 42 days)	>6 to 9 weeks (43 - 63 days)	>9 to 13 weeks (64 - 91 days)	>13 to 21 weeks (92 - 147 days)	>21 to 26 weeks (148 - 182 days)	> 26 to 36 weeks (183 - 252 days)	>36 to 52 weeks (253 - 364 days)	>52 to 65 weeks (365 - 455 days)	>65 to 78 weeks (456 - 546 days)	> 78 weeks (547 days +)	Total waiters
<i>Cardiology</i>	812	641	358	367	634	341	616	924	22	0	0	4,715
<i>Respiratory Physiology</i>	363	283	111	49	113	2	0	0	0	0	0	921
<i>Audiology</i>	277	223	172	87	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	766
<i>Total Physiology</i>	1452	1147	641	503	754	343	616	924	22	0	0	6402
<i>Total Imaging</i>	5776	3360	2062	1693	2911	1971	3468	348	1953	5	0	23547
<i>Total Diagnostic</i>	7228	4507	2703	2196	3665	2314	4084	1272	1975	5	0	29949

(Source: Acute Hospital Information Services; Priority 2 – Diagnostic Test WL Monthly)