

NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TRUST

Waiting Times Summary Report

September 2015

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 taken from the Trust Board Performance report and presents waiting times by specialty.

Summary Positions

Elective In-patients and Day Case Waiters -

As at 30th September 2015 there were;

- 1505 NHSCT patients waiting over 13 weeks (Inpatient / Day Case)
- 714 NHSCT patients breached the backstop positions
- 330 NHSCT patients waiting over 26 weeks
- 67% NHSCT patients were waiting within 13 weeks
- 84% NHSCT patients were waiting within backstop position

Table 1(a): IP/DC Core Patients by Weeks Waiting at 30/09/2015 (exc. Endoscopy)

DAYCASES	WEEKS																				36 - 44	> 44	Total > 13 Weeks	Longest Waits (Weeks)													
	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									
CARDIOLOGY (C)		4	9	8	4	8	5	7	11	2	5	3	3	1	1																					71	26
DENT LEARN DIS/SPEC NEEDS (C)		6	1	4	1	1		3	2			3			1	2	1		2	1																28	31
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)		6	4	3	3	12	4	1	6	3	1	1	1																							45	24
DERMATOLOGY (C)	6	1																																		1	13
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)		3	6	3		7	2	4	3	4	6	1	4	1	1	2																				49	36
GENERAL SURGERY (C)		18	37	13	25	16	16	17	9	2	3	11	6	3	2	2		2		3		1	2										9	4	201	54	
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)					1		1																													2	18
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		6	7	14	7	26	10	19	8	5	7	4	2	2	2	1	2	2	3		3															130	32
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)			19	21	9	22	10	12	22	14	24	11	10	11	7	2	2	1																1	1	199	59
UROLOGY (C)		3	15	17	14	23	7	7	14	11	11	13	7	5	14	10	11	11	9	7	3	2	5	3	8										230	42	
INPATIENTS	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 - 44	> 44	Total > 13 Weeks										
CARDIOLOGY (C)		1					1																													2	18
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)		5	6	4	2	8	6	10	11	7	5	4	3	2	9	2	3	4	3	1	3		3			4	1	106								46	
GENERAL SURGERY (C)		10	13	14	7	9	10	8	8	8	12	5	11	4	7	7	2	6	4	10	4	4	4	3	22	32	224									66	
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)			2	1		2		1		2	3		3	1				1	1	1	1	1		3	8	1	32								48		
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		10	14	7	10	7	15	17	11	15	11	7	4	1	4	8	6	9	5	3	7	4	2	1	6		184								40		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)							1																				1								19		
TOTAL IP/DC	73	133	109	83	141	87	107	105	73	88	63	54	31	48	36	27	36	27	26	21	12	17	10	59	39	1505											

 = 13 wk PFA target or agreed backstop for certain specialties. These patients are not yet breaching.

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC– run date 06/10/2015)

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. 26 weeks equals 182 – 188 days. Patients waiting >26 weeks (183 – 188 days) will therefore be included in the 18 week group. Only those patients waiting exactly 26 weeks in this column are not breachers

Table 1(b): Endoscopy Patients by Weeks Waiting at 30/09/2015

- 793 NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting over 9 weeks
- 70% NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting within 9 weeks

DAYCASES	Weeks												Total > 9 Weeks
	> 9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	24	
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)	1												1
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope	13	67	53	80	74	51	64	43	29	3	1	1	479
GENERAL MEDICINE Scope	1												1
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	34	40	34	36	44	35	25	24	27	2	1		302
GS ENDOSCOPY Scope			1										1
INPATIENTS	> 9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	24	Total > 9 Weeks
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope			1					1					2
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	1			2	1		3						7
TOTAL IP/DC	50	107	89	118	119	86	92	68	56	5	2	1	793

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 06/10/2015)

Table 1(c): Visiting Consultant IP/DC Patients by Weeks Waiting at 30/09/2015

DAYCASES	WEEKS				Total > 13 Weeks
	>13	14	17	20	
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	1	2	1	1	5
TOTAL IP/DC	1	2	1	1	5

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 06/10/2015)

Table 2: Waiting Times for Inpatient / Daycase Backstop Specialties – September 2015

Specialty	WEEKS	Specialty	WEEKS
Breast Surgery	26	General Surgery	26
Dermatology	11	ENT	18
Endoscopy	9	Gynae	26
Urology	26	All Other Specialties	13

Table 3(b): Visiting Consultant OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 30/09/15

Specialty Description	WEEKS																											Total > 9 wks	Longest Wait (weeks)													
	>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	> 45		
DENTAL SURGERY (C)	2	6	4	8	3	4	5	3	3	6	2	3	8	6	4	2		4	7	8	3	4	5	10	7	4	3	2	1	7		1	2	2	8	5	1	147	300	80		
NEUROLOGY (C)	9	6	4	6	10	10	11	7	7	8	10	7	9	11	8	5	5	6	9	6	4	5	6	5	5	4	7	3	10	6	2	4	7	11	11	7	11	278	540	78		
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	21	24	20	26	18	28	39	18	21	8	22	34	15	19	20	13	10	18	10	3	1				2																390	33
TOTAL	32	36	28	40	31	42	55	28	31	22	34	44	32	36	32	20	15	28	26	17	8	9	11	15	14	8	10	5	11	13	2	5	9	13	19	12	12	425	1230			

(Source: Information Services – Acute OP Breach – run date 06/10/2015)

Table 4: Waiting Times for Outpatient Backstop Specialties – September 2015

Specialty	WEEKS	Specialty	WEEKS	Specialty	WEEKS
Breast Surgery	13	Cardiology	15	Chem Path/Diabetic/Lipid	15
Dermatology	15	Endocrinology	15	ENT	15
Gastro	15	General Surgery	15	Gynae	15
Gynae - Colposcopy	10	Nephrology	10	Neurology (Dr Esmonde)	15
Orthodontics	15	Pain Management	15	Rheumatology	12
Urology	15	All Other Specialties	9		

Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Routine

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in September 2015 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 5:

Specialty	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16
Breast Surgery	6	6	5	6	9	11						
Cardiology	10	9	8	10	10	11						
Colposcopy	17	20	27	19	35	30						
Dermatology	10	11	10	8	14	12						
ENT	22	21	19	20	32	38						
Gastroenterology	29	30	20	49	56	54						
General Surgery	17	15	12	14	14	15						
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	19	19	19	19	20	18						
Haematology	9	8	9	9	24	10						
General Medicine	8	11	8	8	8	8						
Nephrology	5	6	5	6	8	8						
Neurology	30	40	45	32	36	40						
Paediatric Medicine	8	8	8	8	9	9						
Pain Management	28	31	34	37	38	37						
Rheumatology	22	21	24	28	28	31						
Thoracic	24	25	27	32	29	33						
Urology	36	33	25	24	19	19						

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

Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Urgent

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in September 2015 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 ie excluding DNAs and cancellations
2. Showing Urgent Patients

Table 6:

Specialty	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16
Breast Surgery	1	1	1	1	2	2						
Cardiology	7	7	8	9	9	9						
Colposcopy	3	3	4	4	3	5						
Dermatology	4	4	4	4	5	4						
ENT	9	8	9	7	7	7						
Gastroenterology	14	15	16	12	14	19						
General Surgery	8	11	10	10	7	8						
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	6	7	6	5	6	5						
Haematology	3	3	2	3	3	4						
General Medicine	6	7	4	7	7	6						
Nephrology	5	6	6	6	5	5						
Neurology	12	11	11	4	9	12						
Paediatric Medicine	3	2	2	2	3	2						
Pain Management	12	15	16	11	11	8						
Rheumatology	12	14	11	12	16	17						
Thoracic	7	7	7	6	7	7						
Urology	6	4	5	5	3	5						

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

Diagnostics – As at 30th September 2015 there were patients waiting over 9 weeks. The longest waiter information is being developed.

TABLE 7: Waiting List Position as of 30/09/2015

Measurement	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 weeks (183 days +)	Total waiters
Imaging	5091	2427	1388	921	938	233	257	11255
Cardiology	623	345	310	274	605	358	1307	3822
GI Physiology	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Respiratory Physiology	387	234	264	162	25	0	0	1072
Urodynamics	57	28	31	37	58	27	37	275
Audiology	93	117	101	177	312	373	838	2011
TOTAL	6251	3153	2094	1571	1938	991	2439	18437

(Source: Acute Hospital Information Services; Priority 2 – Diagnostic Test WL Monthly 2015-16)