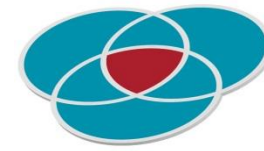




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## Waiting Times Summary Report August 2018

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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 speciality.

### Summary Positions

#### Elective In-patients and Day Case Waiters -

As at 31/08/2018 there were;

- 2219 NHSCT patients waiting over 13 weeks (Inpatient / Day Case)
- 329 NHSCT patients waiting over 52 weeks
- 53% NHSCT patients were waiting within 13 weeks

**Table 1(a): IP/DC Core Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/08/2018 (exc. Endoscopy)**

SPECIALITY	WEEKS																																				Total > 13	Longest Waiter	Total Waits	% < 13 wks
	>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						
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						
CARDIOLOGY (C)	5	6	12	5	4	1								2																					35	26	175	80%		
DENT LEARN DIS/SPEC NEEDS (C)		5			1	3		3			2				3							1														18	34	51	65%	
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)	6	7	6	9	5	8		3	1	2			1	1	3	1				1				1				1	1					1		58	50	203	71%	
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	9	17	13	18	8	10	9	4	7	16	6	9	7	3	4	4	4	4	5	1	3						1	1	2	3	1	1	5	11	186	114	470	60%		
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	11	46	10	14	28	11	7	15	4	18	6	13	4	10	5	4	9	6	5	8	2	3		2	1	4	4	2	2			2	5	5	266	78	774	66%		
GENERAL SURGERY (IRR) (C)			1		1	6	2	1							1															1					13	43	66	80%		
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)		1		1	2	2	1	1											1																9	32	29	69%		
GS ENDOSCOPY (C)													1																						1	25	1	0%		
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	13	12	8	11	10	5	10	4	4	4	3	2	5	9	6	5	4	3	2	5	3	1			1	1	1		1		2	2	3	1	141	55	419	66%		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)	7	14	12	13	14	12	13	15	6	11	15	10	10	7	13	4	4	14	5	14	14	7	1	12	2	10	15	5	10	11	9	7	51	88	455	81	649	30%		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (WLIO)	1	5	6		1	1	1																												15	19	20	25%		
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)	13	27	11	13	4	18	14	8	2	7	7	11	3	6	10	3	1	6	6	5	4	6		6	4	2	2	1	2	5	1	1	22	67	298	149	547	46%		
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	12	13	10	11	8	14	9	10	5	4	8	14	5	12	15	2	13	5	17	6	11	4	1	12	2	4	9	5	7	2	5	4	32	100	391	109	611	36%		
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)		1			2	2	1	1	1	1	2		2	1			1	1		1	1								1		1	2	28	50	167	99	49%			
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	10	10	15	10	13	10	10	10	3	1	7	8	9	10	8	5	3	16	10	9	7	9	3	10	3	3	7	1		6	3	1	23	24	277	81	463	40%		
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)													1																				5	6	59	6	0%			
<b>Total IP/DC</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>2219</b>					

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC– run date 10/09/2018)

#### 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 speciality 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

**Table 1(b): Endoscopy Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/08/2018**

- 979 NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting over 9 weeks
- 61% NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting within 9 weeks

Daycase	Weeks																												Total >9 Weeks	Longest Waiter	Total Waits	% < 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	38					
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope	34	55	41	25	19	13	8	4	3		3	1	1		1	2				1	1			1				213	33	1093	81%	
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	34	53	47	44	55	47	22	42	30	57	31	39	17	21	19	37	23	14	13	10	9	8	4	5		1	1	683	38	1226	44%	
GS ENDOSCOPY Scope	3	1	7	5	5	6	3	2	3	6	1	2		4	3	5	8	1	1		1	1					68	30	166	59%		
<b>Inpatient</b>	<b>&gt;9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>38</b>					
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope				1																								1	12	23	96%	
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	1		1		1			3	1		2	1		1		1					1							13	29	18	28%	
GS ENDOSCOPY Scope					1																							1	13	3	67%	
<b>Total Scopes</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>979</b>				

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 10/09/2018)

**Table 1(c): Visiting Consultant IP/DC Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/08/2018**

- 69 % NHSCT patients waiting within 13 weeks

Daycase	Weeks																					Total > 13 Weeks	Longest Waiter	Total Waits	% < 13 wks				
	14	16	17	19	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	36	37	38	39					40	41	60	73
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)		1	1			2		2		1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	5	2		1	1	1	29	73	39	26%
UROLOGY (C)	1			1	1	1	7	5	2	12		3	1	1								1				36	40	125	71%
<b>Total VC's</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>65</b>				

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 10/09/2018)





### Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Routine

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in August 2018 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							
Cardiology	5	5	6	7	8							
Colposcopy	6	15	11	10	12							
Dermatology	7	14	29	7	6							
ENT	65	67	46	38	52							
Gastroenterology	92	95	103	98	83							
General Surgery	32	31	32	37	32							
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	19	18	18	16	18							
Haematology	35	33	29	15	no activity							
General Medicine	8	11	9	9	8							
Nephrology	7	6	6	7	8							
Neurology	93	116	97	100	98							
Paediatric Medicine	19	17	17	18	17							
Pain Management	85	62	77	74	64							
Rheumatology	127	74	65	67	71							
Thoracic	33	25	51	60	64							

**Note:** General Medicine includes Chemical Pathology, Diabetics & Endocrinology  
 Activity Recorded in Weeks & Numbers Rounded and includes Cancers & Waiting List Initiative  
 ICATS excluded  
 As at 12/09/2018

## Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Urgent

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in August 2018 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							
Cardiology	5	5	5	6	7							
Colposcopy	3	3	2	2	2							
Dermatology	5	4	4	5	5							
ENT	13	9	9	12	12							
Gastroenterology	10	12	14	11	16							
General Surgery	7	7	8	8	7							
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	5	5	4	5	5							
Haematology	6	6	7	6	9							
General Medicine	5	6	7	7	7							
Nephrology	5	5	5	5	5							
Neurology	36	26	16	32	20							
Paediatric Medicine	10	4	3	4	3							
Pain Management	28	26	20	27	48							
Rheumatology	20	19	18	13	17							
Thoracic	8	8	9	6	7							

**Note:** General Medicine includes Chemical Pathology, Diabetics & Endocrinology  
 Activity Recorded in Weeks & Numbers Rounded and includes Cancers & Waiting List Initiative  
 ICATS excluded  
 As at 12/09/2018



**Diagnostics** – As at 31/08/2018 – 52% of patients were waiting < 9 weeks for a diagnostic test with 2185 patients waiting over 26 weeks.

**TABLE 4: Waiting List Position as of 31/08/2018**

	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 and over)	<i>Total waiters</i>
<b>Cardiology</b>	766	547	383	368	622	319	1574	4579
<b>Respiratory Physiology</b>	343	315	86	29	1	0	0	774
<b>Urodynamics</b>	13	10	2	6	4	1	0	36
<b>Audiology</b>	194	258	166	200	355	60	0	1233
<b>Imaging</b>	4,926	2,731	1,489	2,105	3,851	1,290	611	17,003
<b>TOTAL</b>	6242	3861	2126	2708	4833	1670	2185	23625

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