

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 20-252

07 August 2020

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting.

1. How many patients are currently awaiting an appointment for imaging studies/scans that have been requested?

23,282 patients.

a. And how many are awaiting the results of scans that are yet to be assessed?

109 patients are waiting for reporting.

b. Please can you specify how many of these are on a cancer pathway.

296 patients.

c. Please also specify the date your records go up to.

20/07/2020.

d. Please can you also provide the data for how many were waiting during the same time period last year.

20,768 patients.

2. How many two-week wait cancer referrals had to wait longer than 14 days for an appointment in May 2020, May 2019, and May 2018? Please break this down by year and specialty receiving referral.

Weston:

Please note, the breast service transferred out of the Trust as of 1st April 2020.

Cancer site referred to	May-18	May-19	May-20
Breast	2	5	0
Colorectal	15	15	23

Gynaecology	21	17	5
Haematology	2	1	
Head and Neck	14	15	11
Lung	2	1	0
Paediatrics	2	3	0
Skin	36	41	1
Upper GI	9	12	56
Urology	4	0	0
Total	107	110	96

UHB:

Modality	2018	2019	2020
Angiography	1	0	2
CT	17	41	9
DEXA	0	1	0
Echo	5	2	1
Fluoroscopy	6	12	11
MRI	45	21	6
Nuclear Medicine	2	0	0
Radiology	1	1	5
Ultrasound	22	64	6
Ultrasound_Gynae	0	3	5
Grand Total	99	145	45

Please note that Weston area Health NHS Trust merged with University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust on 01/04/2020, forming University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust and therefore we have provided separate figures in this response as well as in the response.

3. How many more scanners are needed to address the shortfall in imaging capacity?

Across University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust, one CT scanner and one MRI scanner.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Director of Corporate Governance
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely

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