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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

**Original Request**

For paediatric patients referred in to your service from the General Dental Service or other referrers for routine exodontia;

- The wait time for assessment by a CDS practitioner
- The wait time from CDS assessment to General Anaesthetic (GA) assessment
- The wait time from GA assessment to completion of GA treatment
- The location of the most utilised (by absolute patient headcount) GA facility.

For paediatric patients under your service's continuing care;

- The wait time from CDS assessment re suitability for treatment under GA to GA assessment
- The wait time from GA assessment to GA appointment
- The location of the most utilised (by absolute patient headcount) GA facility.

For adult patients under your service's continuing care;

- The wait time from CDS assessment re suitability for treatment under GA to GA assessment
- The wait time from GA assessment to GA appointment
- The location of the most utilised (by absolute patient headcount) GA facility.

**Our Response**

For paediatric patients referred in to your service from the General Dental Service or other referrers for routine exodontia;

- The wait time for assessment by a CDS practitioner

**2 weeks.**

- The wait time from CDS assessment to General Anaesthetic (GA) assessment

**All dentists in this Service are trained to do CDS assessment and assessment for GA as one assessment.**

- The wait time from GA assessment to completion of GA treatment

**4 weeks.**

- The location of the most utilised (by absolute patient headcount) GA facility.

**Wirral University Teaching Hospital.**

For paediatric patients under your service's continuing care;

- The wait time from CDS assessment re suitability for treatment under GA to GA assessment

**All dentists in this Service are trained to do CDS assessment and assessment for GA as one assessment.**

- The wait time from GA assessment to GA appointment

**4 weeks.**

- The location of the most utilised (by absolute patient headcount) GA facility.

**Wirral University Teaching Hospital.**

For adult patients under your service's continuing care;

- The wait time from CDS assessment re suitability for treatment under GA to GA assessment

**2 weeks.**

- The wait time from GA assessment to GA appointment

**12 weeks.**

- The location of the most utilised (by absolute patient headcount) GA facility.

**Wirral University Teaching Hospital.**

I trust this satisfies your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours Sincerely

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