

15 December 2023

POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY PET SCANNER

- 1. Do the Belfast Trust have a Positron emission tomography PET scanner?**

RESPONSE: Yes the Belfast Trust has 2 PET-CT Scanners

- 2. If so is the PET scanner in daily use with patients in the assessment of cancer, heart and brain issues?**

RESPONSE: The Scanners are used Monday – Friday in the assessment of cancer and brain issues. Belfast Trust do not perform any myocardial perfusion imaging using the PETCT scanners.

- 3. How many patients have had a PET scan in the last 5 years using the Belfast Trusts PET scanner?**

RESPONSE: Counting full years from April 2018 – Mar 2023 we have performed 19,063 PET-CT scans. It is not possible to determine how many patients have had a PET-CT scan

- 4. What is the current Belfast Trust waiting time for patients to access a PET scan?**

RESPONSE:

- Cancer Red Flag Referral: 19 days
- Cancer non Red Flag Referral: 25 days
- Dementia Brain Scan: 45 days

If not currently operational when was it last fully operational?

RESPONSE: N/A