

22 December 2025

Belfast Trust Gynaecology Department 1st January – 31st December 2025

1. Referral Downgrades (Endometriosis)

A breakdown, by financial year (or calendar year if easier for retrieval), of the total number of patients whose referral status to the Gynaecology Department was downgraded from an urgent status to a routine status, where the referral reason was either:

- **a) Suspected Endometriosis, or**
- **b) Confirmed Endometriosis.**

We are unable to answer question 1 regarding referral downgrades. All gynaecology referrals are triaged to one waiting list for new referrals and there will be patients with suspected and/or confirmed endometriosis, but have not been diagnosed fully, at this stage. It is not possible to narrow this down to determine the number of referrals downgraded from urgent to routine for endometriosis specifically.

Patients with more major invasive endometriosis are onward referred to a specialist endometriosis service and the numbers awaiting assessment at that clinic are below

2. Waiting List Statistics (Endometriosis) As at 30th November 2025

For the most recent date for which data is available, please provide the total number of patients awaiting a first outpatient appointment in the Gynaecology Department for suspected or confirmed endometriosis broken down by the referral priority:

- **a) Urgent referrals** - 12 patients waiting
- **b) Routine referrals** – 33 patients waiting