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Waiting Times for the Gender Dysphoria Service in Belfast Trust

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to ask for information you hold regarding the waiting times for the gender dysphoria service that your Trust provides.

Specifically, I would like to know:

1. **How many people were on the GDS waiting list for a first appointment on 31 January 2022, compared with the same date in 2020, and 2019? (For those Trusts with different satellite sites, if the information could be broken down by site then that would be helpful.)**

Below is the number of clients on the waiting list on 31 January for each of the given years. This is the only waiting list for gender service within the region.

	Total on WL	Longest Days Waiting
31/01/2019	287	834
31/01/2020	422	1202
31/01/2021	501	1524
31/01/2022	552	1884

2. **How long was the estimated waiting list (i.e. time lag between joining the list, and getting a first appointment) on each of those dates?**

We have provided the longest wait in days above. I can confirm the current waiting list is 4 years 5 months.