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Subject: Waiting lists for first consultations for a number of specialties

Question 1:

Can you give the duration a patient referred on 26th January 2022 will expect to wait for a first consultation for each of the following, broken down by urgent and routine appointments?

Answer

Please note the waiting times below exclude red flag (cancer Outpatient referrals). Red Flag patients will be seen in shorter timescales. Waiting times for outpatient consultations are a point in time and are an estimation and will vary due to available capacity within the Trust which can vary over time, and changes to the urgency of the patient referred. Waiting times will also vary in sub-specialty areas, and may be further impacted by pressures associated with COVID-19.

Speciality	Urgent Consultant-Led Outpatient Appointment (estimate - weeks)	Routine Consultant-Led Outpatient Appointment (estimate - weeks)
Adult Mental Health Services Includes Psychiatry	within 10 working days	10
CAMHS	within 5 working days	9
Cardiology	29	154
Colorectal Surgery	115	149
Dermatology	98	225
Dietician Service	49 For dietetic led appt	40 For dietetic led appt
Endocrine/Diabetic	68	97
ENT	48	169
Gastroenterology	87	132
Geriatric Medicine	16	38
Gynaecology	98	133
GUM	same day	1
Haematology	9	9
Immunology (Allergy)	57	373
Neurology	217	311
General Ophthalmology	237	276
Oral Surgery (Dental)	9	9
Orthopaedics *	See table below	See table below
Plastic Surgery*	See note below	See note below

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Psychiatry	Included in adult MH	Included in adult MH
Respiratory Medicine	34	114
Rheumatology	334	365
Upper GI Surgery	49	119
Urology	45	191

***Orthopaedics**

Body part	Urgent weeks	Routine Weeks
Back	25	105
Shoulder	7	261
Foot	0	187
Upper Limb	8	224
Hip	9	120
Knee	6	119
Paediatric Orthopaedics	6	108
Scoliosis	17	132

****Plastic Surgery would be provided via South Eastern HSC Trust***

Question 2:

Can you give the number of people on the waiting list for a first consultation on 26th January 2022 for each of the specialties above, broken down by urgent and routine appointments?

Question 3:

Can you please give the longest time a patient has been waiting for a first consultation on 26th January 2022 for each of the specialties above, broken down by urgent and routine appointments?

Answer

Please note data below is subject to ongoing validation within the Trust, and is updated on an ongoing basis.

(Longest Waiter (wks) - May include long waiting patients upgraded from Routine to Urgent waiting list).

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Spec	Total Waiting		Longest Waiter (wks) (Includes patients who may be waiting for a specific specialist clinic)	
	Urgent (including RF)	Routine	Urgent	Routine
Adult Mental Health Services	51	664	9	54
CAMHS	1	656	8	59
Cardiology	244	2,275	59	154
Dermatology	2,223	4,851	189	228
Dietitian Service	537	954	40	49
Endocrinology	177	612	39	378
ENT	110	5,004	50	176
Gastroenterology	631	1,430	68	134
General Surgery	1,136	4,421	113	151
Geriatric Medicine	42	114	38	39
Gynaecology	435	1,663	100	149
Haematology	12	16	9	9
Immunology (Allergy)	472	2,667	59	374
Neurology	2,713	4,067	219	313
Ophthalmology	2,929	11,394	253	278
Oral Surgery	17	89	5	11
Orthopaedics	562	10,662	239	313
Plastic Surgery	5	9	103	117
Psychiatry	1	69	1	15
Respiratory Medicine	147	1,262	36	116
Rheumatology	1,636	3,097	337	367
Urology	380	2,331	48	193