

Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – INSULIN PUMP WAITING TIMES

I write in response to your request for information in relation to insulin pump waiting times in NHS Lothian.

Question:

1. How many people are currently on the waiting list to receive an insulin pump in NHS Lothian?

Answer:

There are currently 1,155 adults on the waiting list.

Question:

2. How many insulin pumps have been supplied in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024?

Answer:

The information is detailed in the table below:

Insulin pumps supplied to adults, NHS Lothian	
Year	Number of pumps supplied
2020-21	104
2021-22	183
2022-23	176
2023-24	145
2024-25	200

Question:

3. How many are budgeted to be supplied in 2025?

Answer:

The budget for 2025-26 has not yet been confirmed. In 2024-25 the Scottish Government provided additional funding for 190 new adult patients to start on insulin pumps. It is expected that this funding will be continued in 2025-26, but not yet confirmed.

Question:

4. How many are projected to be supplied in 2026, 2027, 2028?

Answer:

No plans for this period have been made at this time.

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at <https://www.foi.scot/appeal>. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the reviewer at the address at the top of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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