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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – ECG MONITORS

I write in response to your request for information in relation to ECG monitors.

Question:

1. The number of ambulatory ECG monitors fitted at each hospital within the Health Board in 2024.

Answer:

8,132 patients have been fitted with ECG monitors in NHS Lothian in 2024

Question:

2. The manufacturer(s) of ambulatory ECG monitors used at each hospital.

Answer:

Spacelabs Holters

Question:

3. The current waiting times for patients to have an ambulatory ECG monitor fitted at each hospital.

Answer:

3-4 weeks across the sites

Question:

4. The number of patients currently on the waiting list for ambulatory ECG monitoring at each hospital.

Answer:

As above

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name of Lothian Health Board*

Question:

5. The number of ambulatory ECG recordings awaiting analysis at each hospital.

Answer:

Zero all analysed within 24 hours

Question:

6. The current wait time for an ECG recording to be analysed once the patient has returned the monitor at each hospital.

Answer:

Generally < 1 Day

Question:

7. The target timeframe within which each hospital aims to analyse routine ECG recordings after the monitor is returned.

Answer:

Generally < 1 Day

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 www.itspublicknowledge.info/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 FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head 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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