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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – GYNAECOLOGY TREATMENT

I write in response to your request for information in relation to gynaecology treatment.

Question:

- For each financial year from 2019/20 to 2024/25 (most recent)
 1. The median **completed wait** (in days) for gynaecology treatment, broken down by (a) inpatient, and (b) outpatient appointment.
 2. The longest **completed wait** (in days) for gynaecology treatment, broken down by (a) inpatient, and (b) outpatient appointment.
 3. The median **ongoing wait** (in days) for gynaecology treatment, broken down by (a) inpatient, and (b) outpatient appointment.
 4. The longest **ongoing wait** (in days) for gynaecology treatment, broken down by (a) inpatient, and (b) outpatient appointment.

Answer:

List Type	Financial Year Removed	Patients Seen	Average Wait (days)	90th percentile (days)
Lothian - Inpatient WL	2019/20	3,795	58.5	144.6
Lothian - Inpatient WL	2020/21	1,868	101.5	366.3
Lothian - Inpatient WL	2021/22	2,416	97.8	378.0
Lothian - Inpatient WL	2022/23	2,751	126.4	505.0
Lothian - Inpatient WL	2023/24	3,121	166.8	655.0
Lothian - Inpatient WL	2024/25	3,110	161.8	581.0
Lothian - Outpatient WL	2019/20	17,231	39.8	91.0
Lothian - Outpatient WL	2020/21	14,615	67.1	224.0
Lothian - Outpatient WL	2021/22	17,548	66.0	228.0
Lothian - Outpatient WL	2022/23	18,719	86.1	338.0
Lothian - Outpatient WL	2023/24	17,883	84.3	330.8
Lothian - Outpatient WL	2024/25	15,971	101.0	340.0

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<i>These figures;</i>
<i>Include all patients that were removed from the waiting list under the Gynaecology specialty between 1st Apr 2019 and 31st Mar 2025</i>
<i>Includes average wait and 90th percentile which is the maximum length of time that 90% of patients waited</i>

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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