



Northern Health  
and Social Care Trust

# **NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TRUST**

## **Waiting Times Summary Report**

**January 2017**

## Waiting Times

The Northern Health & Social Care Trust monitors waiting time performance against a number of Departmental targets on a monthly basis to include Inpatients, Daycases, Outpatients, Diagnostics and AHP's. This report is a summary taken from the Trust Board Performance report and presents waiting times by speciality.

### Summary Positions

#### Elective In-patients and Day Case Waiters -

As at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017 there were;

- 2114 NHSCT patients waiting over 13 weeks (Inpatient / Day Case)
- 50 NHSCT patients waiting over 52 weeks
- 57 % NHSCT patients were waiting within 13 weeks

**Table 1(a): IP/DC Core Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/01/2017 (exc. Endoscopy)**

Daycases	Weeks																												Total	Longest Waits (weeks)	Total Waits	% < 13 wks							
	11 & 12	>13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39					40	41	42	43	44	45-52	>52
CARDIOLOGY (C)		7	13	12	19	7			1																									59	20	235	74.9%		
DENT LEARN DIS/SPEC NEEDS (C)		2	5	3	3	6	5	4	1	5		4			2	1	2		3				1	1	1									50	40	75	33.3%		
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)		23	21	14	10	15	7	5	4			1	1	1	1																			103	26	344	70.1%		
DERMATOLOGY - IS (IS)	4	4	2	1																														7	15	54	87.0%		
DERMATOLOGY (C)	10	3	2	3																														8	15	137	94.2%		
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)		11	8	10	8	10	12	6	3	7	6	5	4	8	4	2	1	1	3	7	3	7	2		1	4	2	3		2	1	1	1	8	2	153	59	378	59.5%
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)		1																																1	14	4	75.0%		
GENERAL SURGERY (C)		24	24	42	16	27	26	15	18	19	9	10	7	6	12	17	6	4	16	16	5	1	7	3	1	4	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	3	348	45	1021	65.9%	
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)				1	1			1	1			1	1	1		2	2																	11	32	33	66.7%		
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		10	8	9	11	10	5	5	11	5	3	6	7	2	4	3	6	1	2	1	1		1		3	2		2					6	2	126	55	460	72.6%	
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)		16	9	21	19	11	11	16	7	11	3	14	12	15	14	16	11	11	14	8	6	7	13	3	12	3	14	9	8	8	6	2	2	1		333	46	552	39.7%
<b>Inpatients</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>45-52</b>	<b>&gt;52</b>				
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)		4	12	11	9	11	13	16	5	9	11	8	9	15	16	5		15	10	6	19	10	8	8	7	10	8	6	4	4	4	22	16	311	67	529	41.2%		
GENERAL SURGERY - EXTRA (C)																																	1	2	83	2	0.0%		
GENERAL SURGERY (C)		21	18	18	15	14	10	6	9	9	7	2	2	14	11	7	6	7	10	11	4	3	3	4	7	5	4	6	8	5	3	2	35	7	295	60	472	37.5%	
GENERAL SURGERY (WLIO)																																	2	2	55	2	0.0%		
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)		1	2		2	1	2		1	1		1	1																			4	14	33	90	68	51.5%		
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		12	9	13	13	16	7	14	10	14	8	2	6	12	6	11	7	2	6	8	5	6	15	8	8	3	4	5	3	6	2	3	22	6	272	66	468	41.9%	
<b>IPDC Total</b>		<b>138</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>2114</b>			

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC– run date 08/02/2017)

### Notes:

- Waiting list figures are validated weekly by operational staff.
- Table 1(a) excludes Visiting Consultant Waiters.
- Right hand columns refer to the total number of patients waiting in the Trust over 13 weeks, and also the longest wait for an operation within a particular speciality as at month end.
- Patients are grouped into weeks waiting, i.e. 52 weeks equals 364 – 370 days. Patients waiting >52 weeks (364 – 370 days) will therefore be included in the 52 week group. Only those patients waiting exactly 52 weeks in this column are not breachers

**Table 1(b): Endoscopy Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/01/2017**

- 809 NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting over 9 weeks
- 61.8 % NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting within 9 weeks

Daycases	Weeks																			Total > 9 wks	Total Waits	% < 9 wks			
	>9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	25	26	27	29						
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)					1																1	1	0%		
GASTROENTEROLOGY IS Scope								1													1	5	80.0%		
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope	72	64	69	68	47	46	38	10	1	3	1	1					2					422	1168	63.9%	
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	48	40	35	31	36	28	38	23	18	6	4	9	9	1	1	5	4	1	3				340	819	58.5%
GS ENDOSCOPY Scope	6	5	4	3	3	1	6	4	2	1								1					36	90	60.0%
GS ENDOSCOPY-IS Scope				2		1																	3	3	0%
<b>Inpatients</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Total &gt; 9 wks</b>	<b>Total Waits</b>	<b>% &lt; 9 wks</b>			
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope			1	1						1											3	13	76.9%		
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	1				1			1													3	14	78.6%		
<b>Scopes Total</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>2118</b>	<b>61.8%</b>			

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 08/02/2017)

**Table 1(c): Visiting Consultant IP/DC Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/01/2017**

Daycases	Weeks																				Total > 13 wks	Total Waits	% < 13 wks								
	> 13	14	15	16	17	18	20	21	22	23	24	26	27	28	30	31	32	35	36	37				38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45-52
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	1	3		3	5	1					1		1	1	1	1			1										20	25	20.0%
UROLOGY (C)	6	3	2		1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	5	4	4	3	6	3	1	3	38	11	109	212	48.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>58.1%</b>	

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 08/02/2017)

## NHSCT Outpatient Waiters –

As at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017 there were;

- 20125 NHSCT patients waiting over 9 weeks Outpatients (inc. IS Transfers)
- 2453 NHSCT patients waiting over 52 weeks (inc. IS Transfers)
- 32 % NHSCT patients were seen within 9 weeks

**Table 3(a): OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/01/17**

Speciality Description	Weeks																																			Total > 9 wks	Longest Waiter	Total Waits	% < 9 wks											
	>9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43					44	45 - 52	> 52								
CARDIOLOGY (C)	26	13	15	19	8	3	4	3																														91	16	479	81.0%									
CARDIOLOGY RAPID ACCESS (C)	4	4	1																																			9	11	287	96.9%									
CARE OF OLDER PERSONS (C)	2		9		1		4			5																												21	18	172	87.8%									
CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY (C)		1																																				1	10	19	94.7%									
COLPOSCOPY - GYNAE (C)	1	1		1																																		4	37	101	96.0%									
DERMATOLOGY (C)	51	64	56	56	61	48	50	51	37	54	62	56	49	37	41	65	39	37	38	32	29	31	28	41	38	40	23	31	29	35	27	19	25	25	32	19	59		1515	48	2336	35.1%								
DIABETIC (C)	5	1	1			1	1																																9	15	83	89.2%								
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	108	140	131	142	157	130	129	125	142	111	127	124	121	94	98	85	107	91	92	68	95	96	131	104	100	118	101	125	92	114	66	116	115	104	79	73	789	654	5394	66	6795	20.6%								
ENDOCRINOLOGY (C)	8	9	18	14	17	14	14	21	19	8	11	9	11	9	12	12	20	10	11	7	5	18	18	20	10	11	7	11	12	6	7	11	15	6	7	4	34	2	458	59	579	20.9%								
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)	52	47	58	46	58	54	71	54	46	48	50	55	46	33	52	56	44	63	53	49	46	57	59	39	48	39	36	47	45	57	36	47	41	45	23	18	226	901	2845	91	3475	18.1%								
GENERAL MEDICINE (C)	4	1				1		2																																8	16	124	93.5%							
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	100	111	103	91	108	96	86	80	77	65	61	48	53	59	50	54	44	38	49	34	43	50	52	61	36	49	42	43	52	47	40	68	35	51	25	18	257	369	2745	76	4156	34.0%								
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)	3	6																																							36	75	275	86.9%						
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	76	89	96	63	102	84	100	73	94	105	95	82	81	58	64	44	39	28	28	26	19	10	18	11	12	7	7	6	4	6									1	4		1	2		1535	46	2545	39.7%		
HAEMATOLOGY (C)	6	3	4	5	3	4	1	2	2	2																																		32	51	132	75.2%			
HYSTEROSCOPY (C)	1	3	1	1	2	2																																								10	23	68	85.3%	
MIRENA - GYNAE (C)	3	4	1	6	2		3	4	4	5	2	4	2																																42	14	75	44.0%		
NEPHROLOGY (C)	2	10	11	8	4	4	10	3	7	1		1																																		62	37	153	59.5%	
NEUROLOGY (C)	12	20	12	24	12	19	15	13	12	15	11	8	11	10	14	9	18	16	17	16	14	18	12	10	14	15	9	17	15	13	16	14	21	10	19	9	100	3	613	22	811	24.4%								
ORTHODONTICS (C)	2	8	8	1	5	1	1			1																																					27	13	102	73.5%
PAEDIATRIC MEDICINE (C)	55	56	47	33	53	37	55	43	37	45	44	35	23	5	14	20	14	9	1	2	1	1	1																								631	17	1169	46.0%
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)	26	36	28	19	21	45	29	37	40	32	22	36	40	28	31	23	39	30	23	26	25	29	27	28	27	29	24	31	53	28	41	39	38	28	22	10	89	67	1246	31	1566	20.4%								
RHEUMATOLOGY (C)	33	33	46	41	44	38	40	36	21	35	26	32	42	26	23	21	24	21	24	21	20	29	24	38	20	38	26	23	32	27	14	22	34	32	21	18	195	455	1695	65	2099	19.2%								
THORACIC MEDICINE (C)	32	56	63	56	43	46	27	36	49	30	32	29	32	19	29	34	28	28	26	28	30	34	24	22	26	21	20	29	24	20	16	20	31	17	7	2	28	2	1096	93	1620	32.3%								
<b>Total</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>716</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>1782</b>	<b>2453</b>	<b>20125</b>											

(Source: Information Services – Acute, OP – run date 08/02/2017)

### Notes:

- Waiting list figures are validated weekly by operational staff.
- Table 3(a) excludes ICATs and Visiting Consultant waiters.
- Community Paediatric (non PAS) included from 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013
- Patients are grouped into weeks waiting, ie 52 weeks equals 364 -370 days. Patients waiting >15 weeks (364 - 370 days) will therefore be included in the 52 week group. Only those waiting exactly 52 weeks in this column are not breachers.

**Table 3(b): Visiting Consultant OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/01/17**

Speciality Description	Weeks																														Total > 9 wks	Longest Waiter	Total Waits	% < 9 wks								
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38					39	40	41	42	43	44	45 - 52	> 52
DENTAL SURGERY (C)	2	9	8	2	8	7	8	11	6	6	5	6	2	5	2	7	5	6	2	1	3	7	3	1	3	5	1	9	4		4	3	4	2	4	3	40	160	364	133	428	15.0%
NEUROLOGY (C)	3	7	8	12	5	8	4	8	8	9	7	3	4	4	2	7	4	3	6	4	7	11	5	8	9	6	3	5	9	7	6	12	3	6	1		66	393	673	143	732	8.1%
NEUROLOGY VISITING (C)																	1				1							1				1	2	1		4	9	20	75	24	16.7%	
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	12	21	26	20	26	23	17	23	20	27	22	19	8	6	9	7	6	6	2		1	5	2	3	10	7	1	5	5	4	5	5	3					356	41	729	51.2%	
OPHTHALMOLOGY (ICATS)	9	13	8	3	1																																	34	13	227	85.0%	
ORTHOPAEDICS (ICATS)	89	61	53	29	5	4	7	3																														251	16	1859	86.5%	
TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS (C)		1	2	1	1	3		1		1		2	1	1	1																							15	23	195	92.3%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>1713</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>4227</b>	<b>59.5%</b>

(Source: Information Services – Acute OP Breach – run date 08/02/2017)

## Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Routine

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in January 2017 for their first outpatient attendance. It is calculated as an average of the difference between:

1. the scheduled appointment date and the effective current date i.e. excluding DNA's and cancellations
2. Urgent Patients are excluded

**Table 5:**

Specialty	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17
Breast Surgery	7	7	8	8	14	11	8	5	4	12		
Cardiology	10	11	12	10	8	9	10	8	8	7		
Colposcopy	5	4	4	4	7	5	5	5	8	4		
Dermatology	8	6	8	7	2	6	6	7	8	5		
ENT	38	42	40	38	40	45	46	44	45	51		
Gastroenterology	41	71	63	57	62	63	68	69	60	72		
General Surgery	11	15	19	13	10	13	18	20	17	26		
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	24	25	26	26	26	25	23	25	25	26		
Haematology	15	12	8	11	12	38	10	12	11	13		
General Medicine	7	8	7	9	7	6	6	7	7	7		
Nephrology	11	13	12	14	15	16	16	14	16	14		
Neurology	36	36	52	41	51	46	52	49	50	42		
Paediatric Medicine	9	14	10	12	16	12	12	12	12	13		
Pain Management	30	26	30	32	30	30	35	40	42	35		
Rheumatology	39	36	35	36	50	49	57	54	54	53		
Thoracic	25	26	27	25	30	31	32	27	29	35		
Urology	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

**Note:** General Medicine includes Chemical Pathology, Diabetics & Endocrinology  
 Activity Recorded in Weeks & Numbers Rounded and includes Cancers & Waiting List Initiative  
 ICATS excluded

## Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Urgent

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in January 2017 for their first outpatient attendance. It is calculated as an average of the difference between:

1. the scheduled appointment date and the effective current date ie excluding DNAs and cancellations
2. Showing Urgent Patients

**Table 6:**

Specialty	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17
Breast Surgery	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Cardiology	6	5	6	6	6	4	4	6	5	5		
Colposcopy	2	10	2	3	2	3	2	2	3	2		
Dermatology	3	3	4	4	3	5	4	4	3	4		
ENT	7	8	9	10	9	9	9	12	13	20		
Gastroenterology	8	9	10	9	8	10	8	10	11	12		
General Surgery	5	7	6	6	6	8	8	6	6	8		
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	5	5	5	4	4	5	4	4	4	5		
Haematology	5	4	4	4	5	5	4	5	4	5		
General Medicine	8	5	7	7	4	5	5	7	6	6		
Nephrology	7	6	7	8	7	9	7	8	7	6		
Neurology	21	17	15	17	19	23	24	26	17	15		
Paediatric Medicine	4	3	3	3	2	5	3	2	2	2		
Pain Management	10	9	8	7	12	17	15	19	14	12		
Rheumatology	17	18	17	14	15	17	13	13	20	16		
Thoracic	7	6	7	8	8	8	6	8	9	11		
Urology	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			

**Note:** General Medicine includes Chemical Pathology, Diabetics & Endocrinology  
 Activity Recorded in Weeks & Numbers Rounded and includes Cancers & Waiting List Initiative  
 ICATS excluded

**Diagnostics** – As at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017 there were 5575 patients waiting over 9 weeks. The longest waiter information is being developed.

**TABLE 7: Waiting List Position as of 31/01/2017**

	0-3 Weeks (0 - 21 days)	>3 to 6 weeks (22 - 42 days)	>6 to 9 weeks (43 - 63 days)	>9 to 13 weeks (64 - 91 days)	>13 to 21 weeks (92 - 147 days)	> 21 to 26 weeks (148 - 182 days)	> 26 weeks (183 days +)	<i>Total waiters</i>
<b>Cardiology</b>	783	413	304	306	622	329	411	<b>3168</b>
<b>Respiratory Physiology</b>	502	251	238	219	118	0	0	<b>1328</b>
<b>Urodynamics</b>	28	10	11	22	38	22	43	<b>174</b>
<b>Audiology</b>	96	90	121	187	401	298	14	<b>1207</b>
<b>Total Physiological</b>	<b>1409</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>1179</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>5877</b>
<b>TOTAL Imaging</b>	<b>5841</b>	<b>1970</b>	<b>1748</b>	<b>1430</b>	<b>996</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>12104</b>
<b>Total Diagnostic</b>	<b>7250</b>	<b>2734</b>	<b>2422</b>	<b>2164</b>	<b>2175</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>17981</b>

(Source: Acute Hospital Information Services; Priority 2 – Diagnostic Test WL Monthly 2016-17)