



Northern Health  
and Social Care Trust

# **NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TRUST**

## **Waiting Times Summary Report**

**July 2016**

## 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 31st July 2016 there were;

- 2132 NHSCT patients waiting over 13 weeks (Inpatient / Day Case)
- 56 NHSCT patients waiting over 52 weeks
- 58 % NHSCT patients were waiting within 13 weeks

**Table 1(a): IP/DC Core Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/07/2016 (exc. Endoscopy)**

DAYCASES	11&12 weeks	WEEKS																																			Total > 13 wks	Longest Waits (weeks)	Total Waits
		>13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36 - 44	> 44													
CARDIOLOGY (C)		3	11	5	3	2	1	1	2						1																			29	22	192			
DENT LEARN DIS/SPEC NEEDS (C)			5	4	2	2		3		4	4	3	2	1	2	2			1	1	2				1	1								45	37	76			
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)		5	19	16	9	14	4	2	6	6	4	2																						87	23	282			
DERMATOLOGY (C)	2											1																						1	23	141			
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)		10	6	8	5	10	2	5	5	8	4	1	9	5	7	4	1	7					3	3	1	1								109	41	320			
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (IS)				2	1	3	9	1	2	4	5		1		1	1	2																	32	28	58			
GASTROENTEROLOGY (IS)			1																															1	14	2			
GENERAL SURGERY (C)		10	47	32	53	28	82	23	42	35	35	17	22	34	10	5	4	2	10	1			5		1		7	1					506	54	1157				
GENERAL SURGERY (IS)		1	1	2	1		2	3	3	3	4	2				2	7	3	1	1													36	30	90				
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)							1				1				2	1																	5	30	22				
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		10	11	9	9	8		5	6	8	4	4	4	5	3	3	4	3		1	5	2	2	2		7	1					116	47	424					
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)		13	9	14	16	10	14	1	5	11	14	6	12	6	12	17	23	5	12	8	5	17	8										264	45	475				
PAIN MANAGEMENT (IS)		1	1	1			6	2																									11	19	78				
PAIN MANAGEMENT (WLIO)																																	9	44	9				
UROLOGY (C)		3	2				1	1			2	2	2	1																			24	81	129				
<b>INPATIENTS</b>	<b>11&amp;12 weeks</b>	<b>&gt;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>Total &gt; 13 wks</b>							
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)		8	15	12	11	2	6	7	9	14	10	14	10	9	11	8	11	10	6	5	10	14	3	3									267	62	498				
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (IS)										1		1																					2	23	4				
GENERAL SURGERY (C)		3	13	14	10	7	8	5	6	17	9	4	6	16	10	4	7	5	9	2	3	7	9	10									284	77	479				
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)					1				1		1	1	1	1	2	1	2				2	1	2										42	75	86				
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		5	11	5	15	5	7	10	10	15	9	4	6	9	16	2	7	9	5	2	10	4	13	11									259	50	476				
OBS & GYN (GYNAECOLOGY) (WLIO)																																	2	44	2				
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)							1																										1	18	1				
<b>Total IP/DC</b>		<b>72</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>29</b>								<b>192</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>2132</b>					

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC– run date 11/08/2016)

### 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 3(b): Visiting Consultant OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/07/16**

Specialty Description	WEEKS																																				Total	Longest Waiter		
	>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	> 45
DENTAL SURGERY (C)	9	12	3	1	6	7	7	6	2	4	12	5	6	7	6	6	3	2	3		1				1	6	6	2	3	2	8	1	5	4	2		4	124	276	108
NEUROLOGY (C)	6	6	10	5	14	4	5	5		4	8	9	7	11	9	9	10	11	1	8	3	5	2	6	5	5	13	10	4	6	4	7		3	5	5	5	336	566	118
NEUROLOGY VISITING (C)		1					3		1	1			1			1	2							1	1		1	1	1	1	2		1	1	1	2	1	21	46	90
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	27	25	25	25	31	16	19	22	15	21	10	7	10	4	6	7	3	2	4																				279	27
OPHTHALMOLOGY (ICATS)	9																																					9	9	
ORTHOPAEDICS (ICATS)	197	62	128	30	22	3		4	5			1	1	1																								454	22	
PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY (C)					1						2	2	1																									6	20	
TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS (C)	3	1	2	1																																		7	12	
<b>Total</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>1643</b>	

(Source: Information Services – Acute OP Breach – run date 10/08/2016)

## Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Routine

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in July 2016 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								
Cardiology	10	11	12	10								
Colposcopy	5	4	4	4								
Dermatology	8	6	8	7								
ENT	38	42	40	38								
Gastroenterology	41	71	63	57								
General Surgery	11	15	19	13								
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	24	25	26	26								
Haematology	15	12	8	11								
General Medicine	7	8	7	9								
Nephrology	11	13	12	14								
Neurology	36	36	52	41								
Paediatric Medicine	9	14	10	12								
Pain Management	30	26	30	32								
Rheumatology	39	36	35	36								
Thoracic	25	26	27	25								
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 July 2016 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								
Cardiology	6	5	6	6								
Colposcopy	2	10	2	3								
Dermatology	3	3	4	4								
ENT	7	8	9	10								
Gastroenterology	8	9	10	9								
General Surgery	5	7	6	6								
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	5	5	5	4								
Haematology	5	4	4	4								
General Medicine	8	5	7	7								
Nephrology	7	6	7	8								
Neurology	21	17	15	17								
Paediatric Medicine	4	3	3	3								
Pain Management	10	9	8	7								
Rheumatology	17	18	17	14								
Thoracic	7	6	7	8								
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> July 2016 there were 5264 patients waiting over 9 weeks. The longest waiter information is being developed.

**TABLE 7: Waiting List Position as of 31/07/2016**

	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 +)	Total waiters
<b>Cardiology</b>	408	361	270	356	542	379	942	3258
<b>Respiratory Physiology</b>	147	285	92	87	6	1	1	619
<b>Urodynamics</b>	17	19	21	19	55	36	57	224
<b>Audiology</b>	50	137	177	115	831	264	0	1574
<b>Total Physiology</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>1434</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>5675</b>
<b>Total Imaging</b>	4390	2297	1280	1119	326	49	79	9540
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5012</b>	<b>3099</b>	<b>1840</b>	<b>1696</b>	<b>1760</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>1079</b>	<b>15215</b>

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