

NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TRUST

Waiting Times Summary Report

March 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 specialty.

Summary Positions

Elective In-patients and Day Case Waiters -

As at 31st March 2016 there were;

- 1811 NHSCT patients waiting over 13 weeks (Inpatient / Day Case)
- 1119 NHSCT patients breached the backstop positions
- 631 NHSCT patients waiting over 26 weeks
- 67% NHSCT patients were waiting within 13 weeks
- 80% NHSCT patients were waiting within backstop position

Table 1(a): IP/DC Core Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/2016 (exc. Endoscopy)

DAYCASES	WEEKS																				Total > 13 weeks	Longest Wait (weeks)						
	>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)	2	7	11	8	5	13	10	6	8								1									71	29	
DENT LEARN DIS/SPEC NEEDS (C)		8			5	2	8	2	1	2	3		4			2						1	1				39	35
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)	2	6	16	12	9	13	11	5	2																		76	21
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	3	10	13	17	7	4	4	8	2	4	4	4	1	3	3		2			3	1			2	2	2	99	48
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)													1														1	25
GASTROENTEROLOGY (IS)			1																								1	15
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	3	7	50	12	16	21	21	9	14	4	6	9	8	8	8	4	2	6			1	1	2	7		219	41	
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	4	12	15	13	17	11	6	8	2	1	12	4	1	2	2	6	1	4	2	2	2		1	3	1	132	46	
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)	9	18	20	19	14	9	9	4	8	18	8	4	14		11	19	3	8	12	10	11	12	9	39	1	289	44	
UROLOGY (C)					1	1							1	1	2	1		2		1					24		34	43
INPATIENTS	>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	Total > 13 weeks		
DENTAL CHILDRENS (C)			2		1																					3	17	
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	7	10	17	23	15	13	9	17	13	10	17	17	8	8	8	7	13	5	11	4		10	3	17	8	270	48	
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	1	4	21	8	18	10	6	13	10	7	8	10	12	5	2	5	10	8	6	3	13	5	12	45	36	278	66	
GENERAL SURGERY (WLIO)																										1	1	57
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)			3	1	2		3	1		1	1	1		1					1			1		7	17	41	70	
GYNAECOLOGY (C)		13	6	9	23	12	11	13	14	9	5	12	13	9	6	9	12	10	8	7	5	6	7	36	2	257	45	
Total IP/DC	31	95	175	122	133	109	98	86	74	56	64	61	63	37	44	51	44	44	39	31	33	36	37	180	68	1811		

= 13 wk PFA target or agreed backstop for certain specialties. These patients are not yet breaching.
(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC– run date 05/04/2016)

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 specialty as at month end.
- Patients are grouped into weeks waiting, i.e. 26 weeks equals 182 – 188 days. Patients waiting >26 weeks (183 – 188 days) will therefore be included in the 18 week group. Only those patients waiting exactly 26 weeks in this column are not breachers

Table 1(b): Endoscopy Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/2016

- 1326 NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting over 9 weeks
- 1884 NHSCT Endoscopy Patients waiting within 9 weeks

DAYCASES	WEEKS														Total > 9 wks
	>9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)		1								1					2
GASTROENTEROLOGY IS Scope	63	73	65	31		4	10	1							247
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope	36	92	83	65	24	34	73	65	83	53	60	13	1		682
GENERAL SURGERY IS Scope	2	5	11	7											25
GENERAL SURGERY Scope	22	49	47	57	17	18	34	29	33	27	20	5	1	1	360
INPATIENTS	>9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Total > 9 wks
GASTROENTEROLOGY IS Scope	1	1													2
GASTROENTEROLOGY Scope	2						1	1							4
GENERAL SURGERY Scope		1	1								1		1		4
Total IP/DC	126	222	207	160	41	56	118	96	116	81	81	18	3	1	1326

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 05/04/2016)

Table 1(c): Visiting Consultant IP/DC Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/2016

DAYCASES	WEEKS																		Total > 13 weeks			
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	26	27	30	31	32	34	35		38	39	
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	3	3	5	1	2	2	2	4	5	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40
Total	3	3	5	1	2	2	2	4	5	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40

(Source: Information Services – Acute, PTLIPDC – run date 05/04/2016)

Table 2: Waiting Times for Inpatient / Daycase Backstop Specialties – March 2016

Specialty	WEEKS	Specialty	WEEKS
Breast Surgery	26	General Surgery	26
Dermatology	11	ENT	18
Endoscopy	9	Gynae	26
Urology	26	All Other Specialties	13

NHSCT Outpatient Waiters –

As at 31st March 2016 there were;

- 13176 NHSCT patients waiting over 9 weeks Outpatients (inc. IS Transfers)
- 10815 NHSCT patients breached the backstop positions (inc. IS Transfers)
- 8923 NHSCT patients waiting over 18 weeks (inc. IS Transfers)
- 45% NHSCT patients were seen within 9 weeks
- 54 % NHSCT patients were waiting within backstop positions

Table 3(a): OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/16

Specialty Description	WEEKS																																													Total > 9wks	Longest Waiter (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	> 45									
CARDIOLOGY (C)	29	21	35	16	11	15	19	19	12	1																														178							
CARDIOLOGY RAPID ACCESS (C)	1																																								1						
CARE OF OLDER PERSONS (C)	2	1	4	1	1	3	5	3	3		3					1	1			1																				29							
CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY (C)	3	1																																						4							
COLPOSCOPY - GYNAE (C)							1																																1								
DENTAL SURGERY (C)																																							87								
DERMATOLOGY (C)	9	8	12	5	2	4	6	7	8	7	3	7	5	4	4	4	7	7	7	6	6	5	3	5	5	5	5	6	5	7	6	5	2	6	7	5	6	46									
DERMATOLOGY (IS)	12	4	6	11	2	5	7	11	4	1	1	1							1	2	2	2	2														1	2									
DIABETIC (C)		1	1	1																																			3								
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (C)	118	152	130	94	50	89	114	117	92	99	88	113	100	92	94	102	114	115	104	96	107	73	83	80	86	93	91	72	40	78	74	107	88	77	33	29	38										
EAR, NOSE & THROAT (IS)				5																																			2								
ENDOCRINOLOGY (C)	15	14	15	6	1	10	9	17	12	17	17	12	9	13	13	7	9	9	6	9	8	12	3	13	10	6	7	4	4	6	9	11	4	3	6	5	4	11									
GASTROENTEROLOGY (C)	41	56	57	42	28	35	37	40	42	41	40	48	40	37	21	44	36	38	33	30	36	18	19	35	27	34	30	24	26	37	37	29	40	28	28	25	26	457									
GASTROENTEROLOGY (IS)				6		8	6	1	10	11	6	10	5	4	2	1	3	4	4																		1	2	1	209							
GENERAL MEDICINE (C)	5	6	4	5	5	5	3	1	1	1																													36								
GENERAL SURGERY (C)	75	86	89	52	31	57	85	65	63	48	51	64	45	43	38	37	42	36	28	47	36	29	30	38	30	36	41	37	16	30	21	30	28	23	27	18	21	68									
GENERAL SURGERY (IS)				2									4	1																																	
GENERAL SURGERY BREAST (C)	2	3																																					5								
GYNAECOLOGY (C)	98	95	105	65	29	68	73	98	90	93	99	93	81	88	75	53	34	23	26	13	35	16	20	19	24	24	29	20	19	25	17	19	11				1	1679									
HAEMATOLOGY (C)	5	1	2		4	3	4	3					1	1	1	1				1																			28								
HYSTEROSCOPY (C)		1	1							1	2																													26							
MIRENA - GYNAE (C)	8		1	4		2	2	2	2		1																												1								
NEPHROLOGY (C)	5	9	5			1																																	20								
NEUROLOGY (C)	10	4	3	1	2	4		2	3	2	2	1	2			2		3	3	2	3	5		3	3		1	2	3	1	4		3	4	2	1	3	2	28								
NEUROLOGY (IS)	1	4		1		2	2			1	2										1	1	1	2														38									
ORTHODONTICS (C)	2	3	1																																				14								
PAEDIATRIC MEDICINE (C)	29	43	46	11	4	10	7	7	4	5	2	3	4																										175								
PAIN MANAGEMENT (C)	30	35	29	12	5	23	24	27	15	17	19	24	17	11	24	17	8	5	5	9	5	8	7	2	4	2	3	2	3	3	4	2	6				2	2	16								
PAIN MANAGEMENT (IS)				2									1																											112							
RHEUMATOLOGY (C)	41	41	43	24	16	26	27	45	41	45	42	41	33	35	31	26	28	30	29	26	39	31	30	21	27	30	27	33	17	23	28	21	30	26	37	28	31	256									
THORACIC MEDICINE (C)	30	30	37	20	9	20	14	14	21	15	23	18	13	15	11	11	12	10	7	8	14	8	10	12	13	9	6	6	6	8	5	1	3														
UROLOGY (C)							2					1	2				1																							6							
UROLOGY LUTS (C)							1																																	1							
TOTAL	571	619	626	386	200	393	446	484	425	409	394	439	362	347	319	310	309	289	257	254	301	205	217	241	233	247	249	215	143	232	220	240	234	179	171	134	151	1725	13176								

 = 9 wk PFA target or agreed backstop for certain specialties. These patients are not yet breaching.

(Source: Information Services – Acute, OP – run date 06/04/2016)

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 31st March 2013
- Patients are grouped into weeks waiting, ie 15 weeks equals 105-111 days. Patients waiting >15 weeks (106 - 111 days) will therefore be included in the 15 week group. Only those waiting exactly 15 weeks in this column are not breachers.

Table 3(b): Visiting Consultant OP Patients by Weeks Waiting at 31/03/16

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)	3	1	2				1	1	10	2	3	2	3	8	2	4	3	2	1	3	1	3		1	5	4	3	7	1	4	4	1	3	1	2	2	1	87	181	91							
NEUROLOGY (C)	8	4	7	3	6	4	7	5	8	14	8	5	9	6	5	1	4	8	7	6	9	6	7	8	8	5	5	6	7	3	10	7	9	6	6	8	10	292	537	102							
OPHTHALMOLOGY (C)	14	23	23	11	9	16	26	26	24	24	21	12	9	17	15	14	12	4	1		1		1																	303	31						
OPHTHALMOLOGY (ICATS)	1	6	1				1																																	9	16						
ORTHOPAEDICS (ICATS)	8	8	6	3	5	4	4	3	2	2	3	1	6	2																										57	22						
TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS (C)	2	1																																						3	10						
TOTAL	36	43	39	17	20	24	38	36	44	42	35	20	27	33	22	19	19	14	9	9	11	9	8	9	13	9	8	13	8	7	14	8	12	7	8	10	11	379	1090								

(Source: Information Services – Acute OP Breach – run date 06/04/2016)

Table 4: Waiting Times for Outpatient Backstop Specialties – March 2016

Specialty	WEEKS	Specialty	WEEKS	Specialty	WEEKS
Breast Surgery	13	Cardiology	15	Chem Path/Diabetic/Lipid	15
Dermatology	15	Endocrinology	15	ENT	15
Gastro	15	General Surgery	15	Gynae	15
Gynae - Colposcopy	10	Nephrology	10	Neurology (Dr Esmonde)	15
Orthodontics	15	Pain Management	15	Rheumatology	12
Urology	15	All Other Specialties	9		

Northern Trust Outpatients Average Completed Waits – Routine

The outpatient waiting time information relates to average waiting times for patients seen in March 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-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16
Breast Surgery	6	6	5	6	9	11	11	9	9	9	8	7
Cardiology	10	9	8	10	10	11	11	10	8	9	10	9
Colposcopy	17	20	27	19	35	30	31	25	19	14	13	7
Dermatology	10	11	10	8	14	12	8	8	12	28	28	25
ENT	22	21	19	20	32	38	35	37	35	36	40	39
Gastroenterology	29	30	20	49	56	54	52	51	57	66	60	60
General Surgery	17	15	12	14	14	15	13	14	16	39	34	32
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	19	19	19	19	20	18	19	21	21	21	22	21
Haematology	9	8	9	9	24	10	11	10	11	12	11	13
General Medicine	8	11	8	8	8	8	11	10	10	9	14	8
Nephrology	5	6	5	6	8	8	8	9	9	10	10	10
Neurology	30	40	45	32	36	40	39	43	60	49	27	37
Paediatric Medicine	8	8	8	8	9	9	10	8	8	10	9	8
Pain Management	28	31	34	37	38	37	35	30	32	41	38	36
Rheumatology	22	21	24	28	28	31	30	31	32	33	31	36
Thoracic	24	25	27	32	29	33	30	26	29	27	29	26
Urology	36	33	25	24	19	19	20	24	23	26	19	17

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 March 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-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16
Breast Surgery	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	1	1
Cardiology	7	7	8	9	9	9	7	7	5	5	5	6
Colposcopy	3	3	4	4	3	5	4	2	3	4	4	3
Dermatology	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	6	6
ENT	9	8	9	7	7	7	6	6	8	7	6	6
Gastroenterology	14	15	16	12	14	19	16	15	20	25	19	18
General Surgery	8	11	10	10	7	8	7	8	6	6	6	5
Gynae inc Hysteroscopy	6	7	6	5	6	5	6	6	5	5	6	4
Haematology	3	3	2	3	3	4	3	4	4	3	3	4
General Medicine	6	7	4	7	7	6	9	6	6	7	5	4
Nephrology	5	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	6	7	7	6
Neurology	12	11	11	4	9	12	11	17	18	21	18	26
Paediatric Medicine	3	2	2	2	3	2	2	5	2	1	2	3
Pain Management	12	15	16	11	11	8	7	11	9	11	7	9
Rheumatology	12	14	11	12	16	17	14	16	18	16	19	21
Thoracic	7	7	7	6	7	7	5	5	5	5	5	5
Urology	6	4	5	5	3	5	4	5	4	4	5	6

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 31st March 2016 there were 5334 patients waiting over 9 weeks. The longest waiter information is being developed.

TABLE 7: Waiting List Position as of 31/03/2016

	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 +)	<i>Total waiters</i>
Cardiology	409	472	305	325	597	375	1273	3756
GI Physiology	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Respiratory Physiology	202	249	222	263	412	211	102	1661
Urodynamics	64	24	31	24	62	27	42	274
Audiology	329	48	153	256	138	92	0	1016
Imaging	4340	2662	1137	397	450	120	167	9273
TOTAL	5344	3455	1849	1265	1660	825	1584	15982

(Source: Acute Hospital Information Services; Priority 2 – Diagnostic Test WL Monthly 2015-16)