

Freedom of Information Request – 3949

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide data for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024, unless otherwise specified.

Straight to Test (STT) Colonoscopy

1. Does the Trust provide Straight to Test (STT) colonoscopy services for the suspected cancer referral pathway? *Y*
2. If STT, are they spoken to first in a clinic appointment or are they sent straight to colonoscopy without discussion? *Y*

Iron Deficiency Anaemia (IDA) Pathway

1. Does the Trust have a specific iron deficiency anaemia (IDA) Faster Diagnostic Pathway (FDP)?

No

- If not, please confirm which pathway IDA patients are referred to (e.g., Lower GI, Upper GI, Gastroenterology, or Colorectal).
They are dealt with by various departments. It would depend on which speciality the patient is under. There is no specific pathway.
- If yes, which speciality manages this?

2. Number of referrals to the IDA pathway (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024).
3. Number of colorectal cancers diagnosed via the IDA pathway (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024).
4. Number of IDA pathway patients seen by the Colorectal team (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024).
5. Number of IDA pathway patients seen by the Gastroenterology team (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024).
6. Do patients with IDA with positive FIT go to the IDA pathway or the lower GI pathway?

Lower GI Suspected Cancer Pathway

1. Total number of Lower GI suspected cancer referrals (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024).
2922
2. Number of cancers diagnosed on the Lower GI suspected cancer referral pathway, categorised by *site-specific cancer*, including (but not limited to):
 - Colorectal *113*
 - Small bowel *0*
 - NTE (Neuroendocrine) *0*
 - Gastric *less than 10*
 - Oesophageal *less than 10*
 - Any other relevant categories *Less than 10*

Colorectal Surgery Activity

1. Total number of referrals to Colorectal Surgery (not including lower GI cancer referrals) (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024). *319*
2. Average waiting time for a Lower GI 2-week-wait (2WW) referral to first appointment. *6.5 days*

3. **Average waiting time for an *urgent* outpatient referral to Colorectal Surgery. 24 days – please note this is the average time in days between the referral date and the date of an attended appointment.**
4. **Average waiting time for a *non-urgent* outpatient referral to Colorectal Surgery. 57 days please note this is the average time in days between the referral date and the date of an attended appointment.**

Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

1. **How many patients were diagnosed with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) through the Lower GI Faster Diagnostic Pathway? 54**