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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**  
**Ref: 189-2020**

Thank you for your email dated the 24<sup>th</sup> August, requesting information in relation to cancer waiting times.

The information that you require is as follows:

**I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.**

**Please send me:**

- 1. The total number of cancer patients receiving treatment within 62 days.**
- 2. The total number of cancer patients waiting more than 104 days for treatment.**

**Monthly or quarterly data for the January 2019-August 2020 period would be greatly appreciated.**

**Also, as well as providing the total number, a percentage would be useful. For example, "24% of cancer patients were waiting more than 104 days for treatment."**

**This information is already publicly available in the cancer waiting times statistics published by NHS England and is therefore exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information you require is accessible via the following links.**

- Data from Jan 2019 to Mar 2019 is available here:**  
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/cancer-waiting-times/monthly-prov-cwt/2018-19-monthly-provider-cancer-waiting-times-statistics/> \*
- Data from Apr 2019 to Mar 2020 is available here:**  
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/cancer-waiting->

[times/monthly-prov-cwt/2019-20-monthly-provider-cancer-waiting-times-statistics/](https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/cancer-waiting-times/monthly-prov-cwt/2019-20-monthly-provider-cancer-waiting-times-statistics/) \*

- **Data from Apr 2020 to Jul 2020 is available here:** <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/cancer-waiting-times/monthly-prov-cwt/2020-21-monthly-provider-cancer-waiting-times-statistics/>. *(Data for Aug 2020 is not available yet but will be published here when available)*

*\*Final validated data is available for Jan 2019 to Mar 2020 – scroll down to the section that says ‘Revised final’. Data from April 2020 is still provisional.*

You can access the data for both of your questions by clicking the links above, clicking again for the relevant month, and opening the CSV file called **‘11. 62-Day Wait for first treatment – All Cancers (Provider Data)’**\*. You can search for The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre by name or using the ODS Code **‘REN’**.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust’s Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.