

**Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000 – our ref: FOI 19/20\_464**

I write in response to your request under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act.

I confirm that the Trust holds the information you requested. Please see the replies, set out against your questions, below:

1. *What is the average waiting time in weeks from referral to an initial appointment with the pain management service you are responsible for?*

**Average based on waiting times from 1st Jan 2019 to 21st November 2019**  
**Seven weeks**

2. *What is the average waiting time in weeks from referral to commencing treatment, ie, referral to treatment (RTT) time?*

**Average based on waiting times from 1st Jan 2019 to 21st November 2019**

**16 For Admitted Patients (Inpatients Treatment)**

**8 For Non - Admitted Patients (Outpatients Treatment)**

3. *Does your pain management service involve a multidisciplinary team (including medical consultants, nurses, physiotherapists, psychologists, pharmacists) as recommended by the Faculty of Pain Management's core standards for pain management services in the UK (<https://www.rcoa.ac.uk/document-store/core-standards-pain-management-services-the-uk>)?*

**Medical consultants and nurses have dedicated session times within the pain management service and are involved in Multi-disciplinary team meetings.**

4. *Specifically, which of the above disciplines does the multidisciplinary team include?*

**We access Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy and Psychology services for our patients from outside the service.**

5. *Does your pain management service offer non-drug treatments, including physical and psychological therapies, as recommended by the Faculty of Pain Management's core standards for pain management services in the UK?*

**We offer non-drug treatments to the patients who attend the service.**