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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Breast radiotherapy access.

You asked:

- 1. In November and December 2019 how many requests/bookings for radical radiotherapy to the breast or chestwall were received by the radiotherapy department?
- 2. For those patients requested/booked in November and December 2019, how many commenced treatment?
- 3. Of those who received treatment what was the average length of time between the request/booking being made and the patient receiving treatment?
- 4. What is your average length of time for all radical radiotherapy requests/bookings to starting treatment?

Trust response:

- 1.200
- 2. 136 have commenced before 15th January. The remaining patients have scheduled appointments from 15th January onwards
- 3. 28.7 days
- 4. In line with the Cancer Waiting Times Performance Standards, we work on a 31 day treatment pathway from first consultation with the treating Oncologist to start of treatment