

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am seeking detailed information regarding endoscopy procedures, hydrogen breath tests, and waiting times for patients suspected to have Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) and Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) at your NHS Trust.

I would like to request the following information:

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust is a mental health, learning disability and community health services Trust and does not provide these services.

- 1. The number of patients currently on the endoscopy waiting list with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease.
- 2. The number of patients with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease who have been on the endoscopy waiting list for more than six weeks.
- 3. The number of patients with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease who have been on the endoscopy waiting list for more than six months.
- 4. The number of endoscopy procedures conducted for people with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease in the years 2023 (to date), 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019.
- 5. The average time a person with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease spent on the waiting list for an endoscopy in the years 2023 (to date), 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019.
- 6. The number of people with suspected Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) on the waiting list for a hydrogen breath test.
- 7. The number of people with suspected Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) that have been on the waiting list for a hydrogen breath test for more than six weeks.
- 8. The number of people with suspected Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) that have been on the waiting list for a hydrogen breath test for more than six months.
- 9. The average time a person with suspected Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) spent on the waiting list for a hydrogen breath test in the years 2023 (to date), 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019.
- 10. The number of hydrogen breath tests conducted for people with suspected Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) in the years 2023 (to date), 2022, 2021, 2020, and 2019.



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