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Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

## Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information which was received on 12 June 2023, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and our response follows:

### Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

For the attention of the Freedom of Information Officer,  
I would like to make an application under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information: (please provide the figures from 2019 - present, in calendar years not fiscal.)

- 1) How many patients are currently on the waiting list to see a dermatologist, after being referred by their GP?
- 2) What is the average waiting time for a patient to see a dermatologist, after being referred by their GP?
- 3) What is the longest time a patient has waited to see a dermatologist, after being referred by their GP (e.g. since 2019, how many patients have waited more than 6 months, 12 months, 18 months, 24 months...)?

### Powys Response:

Q1 As of the 31/05/2023 there were 89 patients waiting on a PTHB provider waiting list to see a dermatologist.

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Q2 Please see the table below for the average waiting time (on a PTHB provider waiting list) for a patient to see a dermatologist, after being referred by their GP:

| Year                  | Average Wait (Weeks) |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>2019</b>           | 15                   |
| <b>2020</b>           | 25                   |
| <b>2021</b>           | 12                   |
| <b>2022</b>           | 11                   |
| <b>2023 (to date)</b> | 14                   |

(Source: WPAS; Mean wait from referral to appointment for patients with first appointment in each of the years).

Q3 Please see the table below for the longest time a patient (on a PTHB provider waiting list) has waited to see a dermatologist, after being referred by their GP:

| Year                  | Under 6 months<br>(0 - 26 weeks) | 6- 2 months<br>(27 - 52 weeks) | 12-18 months<br>(53-78 weeks) |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>2019</b>           | 173                              | 2                              | 0                             |
| <b>2020</b>           | 101                              | 23                             | 20                            |
| <b>2021</b>           | 132                              | 9                              | 1                             |
| <b>2022</b>           | 171                              | 0                              | 0                             |
| <b>2023 (to date)</b> | 111                              | 0                              | 0                             |

(Source: WPAS; Number of patients waiting in each of the bands from referral to first appointment in each of the years)

Should you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

If you are dissatisfied, with the way your request has been dealt with by PTHB, you have the right to request a review in which case you should write to:

Chief Executive  
 Powys Teaching Health Board Headquarters  
 Glasbury House  
 Bronllys Hospital  
 Bronllys  
 Brecon  
 Powys LD3 0LY

If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office - Wales  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
 Churchill House,  
 Churchill Way,  
 Cardiff, CF10 2HH

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Yours sincerely



**Joy Garfitt**

**Director of Operations/Director of Community & Mental Health**