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Subject: Waiting time for THR

REQUEST & RESPONSE

1. What is the current waiting time for THR? (hip replacement)?

As at 16th May 2021, the average waiting time is 27 weeks.

2. How many on the THR waiting list have waited over 18 weeks?

As at 16th May 2021 126 patients have waited over 18 weeks

3. What was the average waiting time in financial year 2019-20 for a THR?

The average waiting time between 01/04/2019 and 31/03/2020 was 14 weeks

4. Has there been a change in the number of personnel capable of performing a THR at your Trust in the last 12 months? Please provide figures.

No

5. What is the clinical priority or justification for the order to treat THR patients post pandemic?

The Trust is currently using the Federation of Surgical Speciality Association guidance to clinically prioritise Orthopaedic patients. The information is a clinical guide to surgical prioritisation.

An elective procedure for a THR (Arthroplasty) would be classified as P2, P3 or P4 to be treated in the timeframes as per table below.

P2

- **Arthroplasty/ Arthrodesis -**

P3

- Revision surgery, loosening without impending fracture.
Recurrent joint instability
- Arthroscopic removal of joint loose body (Reversible symptoms preventing work)
- Arthroplasty/ Arthrodesis - any site where an extended wait will prejudice outcome

P4

- Arthroplasty/ arthrodesis - not otherwise specified

Timescale in which a patient should receive treatment	Priority category
<1 month	P2
<3 months	P3
>3 months	P4
Chosen to delay treatment – covid reasons	P5
Chosen to delay treatment – non covid reasons	P6