NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 08 May 2019.

NHS Tayside wishes to advise you that there are exemptions applicable to the information requested. Please refer to the exemptions section of this correspondence.

**Extract from Request**

- “What about patients who don’t meet criteria for the eating disorder service – do you have any patients under a generic service (i.e. Community Mental Health Team) who received treatment for an eating disorder during the years requested? Which you can provide data for in response to Questions 2 and 4 (FOISA6173)?
- Question 4 (FOISA6173) – Are you able to provide a Mean and/or Median waiting time for this group of patients? Can you readily access the % who started treatment within 4 weeks of date of referral?”

**Response**

- There will be patients currently under a generic service who received treatment under the Eating Disorders Service during 2016/17 and 2017/18. Due to the small number of patients accessing the Eating Disorders Service, NHS Tayside will not provide any further breakdown of this information as this could lead to the identification of individuals and would contravene confidentiality and data protection principles.

- As stated previously, current recording/reporting practices do not permit referral data for 2016/17 and 2017/18 to be presented in this way. NHS Tayside introduced a new referral management system in 2017. No patient waited in excess of the 12-week Referral to Treatment Standard set by the Scottish Government.


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Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
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Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commission.

**A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and addressed to:**

Tayside NHS Board Secretary  
Tayside NHS Board Headquarters  
Ninewells Hospital & Medical School  
Dundee  
DD1 9SY

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kinburn Castle  
Doubledykes Road  
St Andrews  
Fife  
KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: [www.itstpublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itstpublicknowledge.info/Appeal)

**If you have any queries about this correspondence, please contact:**

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