

Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

- 1) The likely waiting time for a routine physiotherapy assessment quest made by General Practitioner in September 2013

We do not hold this information.

- 2) The pathway open to a General Practitioner in September 2013 to refer on a routine basis for orthopaedic review: would an initial routine referral have to have been sent to physiotherapy in the first instance or could a direct referral to orthopaedic surgery have been made?

Yes, CATS was commissioned and it would be GP discretion regarding whether they choose to refer directly to CATS or T&O.

- 3) The likely waiting time for a routine out-patient appointment with orthopaedic surgery if referred directly to the service by a General Practitioner in September 2013.

Approximately 4 weeks.