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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/015754 - A&E waits and RTT waits

I write under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information.

1. What is the longest period of time a single patient waited in A&E to be seen, treated, and admitted/discharged during calendar years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (Year to Date)? Please provide any details concerning why the patient waited this length of time and what their ailment/s were?

- Freedom of Information requests have to be published on the Trust's external disclosure log, to give out specific information on ailments and length of wait could possibly make this personally identifiable so Exemption Section 40 personal information is being applied.

- The Trust is required to provide information on A&E waits to NHS England  
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/ae-waiting-times-and-activity/>

2. What are the top 10 longest periods of time a single patient waited to start consultant-led treatment from referral for non-urgent conditions during calendar years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 (Year to Date)? Please provide any details concerning why the patient waited this length of time and what their ailment/s were.

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- The Trust is required to provide information regarding Referral to Treatment (RTT) waiting times. This information is published on the NHS England website:  
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/rtt-waiting-times/rtt-data-2019-20/>.

The Trust's hospital code is RNA and we are published as The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (not Russells Hall Hospital)