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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST Ref: FOI/012281 - Clinical correspondence

- 1. Has the Hospital failed to meet any of its turnaround targets for clinical correspondence within the last 2 years? **yes**
- 2. How many letters fall into this category? This is managed on a week by week basis and so can vary based on demand within the service
- 3. Has the Trust received any fines in the past 2 years as a result of delayed correspondence? no
- 4. What was the total cost of these fines? N/A
- 5. Within the last year, which departments have failed to meet their turnaround targets? Trauma & Orthopaedics / Paediatrics

  Derm, Rheumatology, Cardiology, Haem/Onc
- How many days or weeks is the current backlog and in which departments?
   Trauma & Orthopaedics 16 days, Pain 10 days, Paeds 15 days
   Derm 10 days, Rheumatology 10 days, Cardiology 10 days, Haem/Onc over 20 days
- 7. How much does the Trust spend on bank or agency staff to populate correspondence in the past 2 years? The Trust does not hold this information
- 8. How many hours overtime has the Trust asked staff to work to populate clinical correspondence in the last 2 years. **Unable to identify specific number of hours worked for overtime on clinical correspondence**