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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Long Covid-19 Assessment Services within NHS Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/Response:

Please could you provide answers to the following questions up to and including 1st May 2021. If this is not available, then please provide the answer up to the latest date that you have data for (but not beyond 1st May).

- 1. The number of referrals to long Covid-19 clinics
- 2. Average (mean) time taken from referral to first contact with the clinic for the latest two week period? Please provide this in working days.
- 3. The longest time taken from referral to first contact with the clinic.
- 4. Number of first contacts between long Covid-19 clinic staff and patients.
- 5. The number of people waiting for a first appointment at a long Covid-19 clinic in your region as of 1 May 2021.

With regards to Q1 - Q5, NHS England and NHS Improvement are currently working with regions and systems to develop and refine processes to collect activity and demographic data for the Post Covid-19 syndrome Assessment clinics. From summer 2021 NHS Long Covid-19 activity data on referral, number of assessments, waiting times and the onward patient journey will be published monthly.

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