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Varicose Veins Treatment / Waiting Times

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Please provide the following information for each calendar year for the past five years.

- Overall based on the total number of referrals, what is your minimum, maximum and median waiting times in days from the date referral received to initial appointment with healthcare professional regarding treatment for varicose veins.

Min of Days between Referral and Initial Encounter
1

Max of Days between Referral and Initial Encounter
1258

Median of Days between Referral and Initial Encounter
124.5

- Overall based on the total number of referrals, what is your minimum, maximum and median waiting times in days from the date referral received to a surgical procedure to treat varicose veins.

Min of Days between Referral and Schedule Surgery Date
13

Max of Days between Referral and Schedule Surgery Date
1435

Median of Days between Referral and Scheduled Surgery
356

3. What is the total number of annual referrals for treatment for varicose veins each year for the past five years?

Year	Count of Referral Year
2018	31
2019	62
2020	23
2021	67
2022	81
2023	15
Grand Total	279

4. How many surgeries for varicose veins have been performed each year for the past five years?

Year	Count of Surgery Year
2019	66
2020	22
2022	33
2023	94
Grand Total	215