

## Title Fibromyalgia

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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 1<sup>st</sup> 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).

- Numbers of people who have been diagnosed with Fibromyalgia from 2019 to 2023; - How much, in terms of waiting times, did it took to have a diagnosis of Fibromyalgia; Please provide me with a breakdown per gender, year and regions.

Please see below Trust response

\*Please note: Eastern diagnosis numbers only include *inpatients* from 2019 to 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020, after this *both inpatients and outpatients* are included in diagnosis numbers, and diagnosis numbers were taken using discharge/appointment dates.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Gender</u>	<u>Region</u>	Number Diagnosed
2019	Male	Eastern	42
	Female	(inpatients)	462
	Male	Northern	22
	Female		152
2020	Male	Eastern (inpatients	58
	Female	till 10/10/2020 after this both inpatients and outpatients)	457
	Male	Northern	12
	Female		142
2021	Male	Eastern	104
	Female		740
	Male	Northern	15
	Female		161
2022	Male	Eastern	85
	Female		678
	Male	Northern	22
	Female		224
2023	Male	Eastern	30
	Female		213
	Male	Northern	9
	Female		113

- How much, in terms of waiting times, did it take to have a diagnosis of Fibromyalgia;

The Trust is unable to respond to this question as the information requested is not held by the Trust. We capture waiting times from referral to treatment and not to diagnosis, to provide this data for fibromyalgia this isn't something captured on our waiting times in general.