

Right to Information Decision
Right to Information No.: RTI201516-053

Applicant: Mr Kieran Jones
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Date of Application: 30 September 2015

Information Requested

- 1 What are the indicative outpatient appointment waiting times for people in the North and North West Regions?
- 2 What are the average waiting times for all three regions between the time of first appointment and the time of treatment or surgery?

Time Period

- September 2012 to September 2015

Application Fee

The prescribed application fee was waived in accordance with Section 16(2)(c) (the applicant is able to show that he or she intends to use the information for a purpose that is of general public interest or benefit) of the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

Decision and Statement of Reasons

- 1 **What are the indicative outpatient appointment waiting times for people in the North and North West Regions?**

As negotiated, this material will not be provided as it is public available on the DHHS Public Disclosure Log.

- 2 **What are the average waiting times for all three regions between the time of first appointment and the time of treatment or surgery?**

Please note, the system capabilities of the North West and the North have not been able to capture this data. It is not possible within the current system to identify any data with accuracy. The South has been able to do this as their system works differently. Please see the attachment for that data.

Decision Made by

This decision was made by Marcy Stanton, Professional Officer, a delegated Right to Information officer of the Tasmanian Health Service, appointed by an instrument of delegation in accordance with section 24 of the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

Under section 43 of the Act you have the right to apply for a review of the decision. To seek a review, you must apply in writing to the CEO, Tasmanian Health Service, GPO Box 125, HOBART TAS 7001, within 20 working days of receiving this notice.