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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4523**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 02nd November 2020.

Your request was as follows:

Please could you provide your Trust's average % of Transient Ischaemic Attack (TIA/High Risk) Patients seen within 24 hours from referral, for the period 1 June 2019 to 31 May 2020 as well as monthly data during this time period.

Could you also define the model that you use to see these patients e.g. outpatient clinic vs inpatient assessment unit.

0% of Transient Ischaemic Attack (TIA/High Risk) Patients were seen within 24 hours from referral, for the period 1 June 2019 to 31 May 2020 and we cannot provide monthly data. This is due to The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust (WCFT) is a Specialist Neuroscience Tertiary Care Centre; We do not offer a specific emergency TIA service at WCFT, our Neurovascular service does not promote itself as an emergency suspected TIA referral service and neither is does our emergency. We did accept TIA referrals during the early part of the first wave of COVID, this was secondary mutual aid. These referrals were triaged and scored in terms of urgency by the stroke nurses from Aintree University Hospitals, prior to requesting WCFT to see the patients in Outpatients Department.

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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**Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 4523 in any future communications.**

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the



Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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