

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/363**  
**Wait times and Staffing levels for Gynaecology**

**Information Requested:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 I would like to be given the following information.

In respect of Gynaecology Outpatients:

1. How many appointments to the Outpatient Dept at Cardiff and Vale NHS Trust have been cancelled by the department in the last 2 years due to staffing issues?  
i.e. not how many patients have had appointments cancelled, as the same patient may have been on the receiving end of numerous cancelled appointments.
2. How many staff vacancies are currently unfilled in the department? Including admin staff?
3. Have staffing levels been permanently reduced?
4. What is the current average waiting time between referral being received and the patient being seen by a consultant?
5. Is this waiting time increasing?

**Response Details:**

1. Appointments Cancelled:

New	214
Follow Up	319
<b>Total</b>	<b>533</b>

2.

<b>Department</b>	<b>WTE Vacancy</b>
<b>Gynae Outpatients</b>	<b>-1.37</b>

3. Cardiff and Vale University Health Board has not permanently reduced staffing in outpatients.

4. **Current RTT Average Adjusted Weeks Wait for New Outpatient Appointments:**

<b>Dec-22</b>	<b>Jan-23</b>	<b>Feb-23</b>	<b>Mar-23</b>	<b>Apr-23</b>	<b>May-23</b>
18	17	17	16	18	18

5. Please see above table.