

INFORMATION REQUEST FOI2023/061

23 May 2023

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request.

I am writing a request for information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please could you provide me with:

- Numbers of people who have been diagnosed with Fibromyalgia from 2019 to 2023;
- How much, in terms of waiting times, did it take to have a diagnosis of Fibromyalgia;

Please provide me with a breakdown per gender, year and regions.

I have considered your request and have set out the Trust's response below:

From the time period that you requested, 2019 – 2023, we have only 6 instances on record.

Due to this low number, we will not be able to provide any further information. Statistically low information can potentially identify individuals' data, especially due to the rural nature and low population of the county. It would be, in my view, possible to identify them if this data were to be provided to you. The data therefore consists of personal data and as such has been withheld under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,
Freedom of Information Officer

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<https://www.wyevalley.nhs.uk/about-us/information-requests/freedom-of-information-requests.aspx>

If you have queries or any concerns my contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request and wish to ask for a review of this, please contact me and I will arrange this to be done.

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