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Dear Requestor

Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

On 19 September 2019 you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act. I now provide this information as an attachment.

I trust that this is the information you require and that your request has been fully discharged.

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If you have queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

Signature Removed

Paddy Baker
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Q1:

The average waiting time (in calendar days) for women who had an NHS-funded medical abortion in 2016, 2017, 2018 - from the date of their first referral appointment to (and including) the date of the procedure.

Response:

2016: 7.6
2017: 8.9
2018: 7.8

Q2:

The average waiting time (in calendar days) for women who had an NHS-funded surgical abortion in 2016, 2017, 2018 - from the date of their first referral appointment to (and including) the date of the procedure.

Response:

2016: 13.4
2017: 19.9
2018: 18.0

The information which has been provided relates to termination of pregnancy service contracts with two nationwide charitable organisations and one local non-acute NHS service provider. All three service providers supply the CCG with monthly patient level activity records (which is not patient identifiable) and this information has been used to calculate the average waiting times.