

**To request and FOI from all ICBs, Health boards & equivalents across the UK:**

**I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on behalf of Crohn's & Colitis UK to request the following information:**

**To know:**

- a) the number of patients on the endoscopy waiting list with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease**
- b) the number of patients with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease who are waiting more that 6 weeks for endoscopy.**
- c) the percentage of patients on the endoscopy waiting list with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease**
- d) the percentage of patients with suspected Inflammatory Bowel Disease who are waiting more that 6 weeks for endoscopy.**

The Health Board is unable to provide the information requested. The Health Board utilises an Endoscopy Management System (EMS) which only captures activity and not waiting list data. The available fields do not capture a patients' condition or diagnosis.

The relevant clinical field on the WPAS system also used only captures the type of endoscopy that a patient is waiting for e.g., sigmoidoscopy, bronchoscopy etc. and not why a patient requires the endoscopy i.e. due to a specific condition or diagnosis.