

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-308	21st July 2023
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**I am requesting under the Freedom of information Act the following:-**

1. **Firstly 'What is the waiting list for a patient clinically classified as needing an URGENT knee replacement with abuhb'**

There are over 3000 patients awaiting an elective hip or knee procedure.

2. **secondly 'the anticipated waiting time for someone at the end of that list'?**

Orthopaedics are forecasted to clear 156 week waits for treatments by the end of September 2023, but they are currently ahead of schedule on this ministerial priority and could potentially clear sooner than originally forecasted.

The Directorate are forecasted to clear 104-week treatment waits by the end of February 2024. They remain on track to deliver this. This is what was signed off in the IMTP resubmission. Prior to this there was discussion about the potential to deliver this by the end of December which could potentially still be achieved as the current forecast suggest there will be approx. 360 remaining at the end of December.