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## **Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding elective procedures within South Sefton CCG.

Request/Response:

1. Have referral policies changed for elective procedures for patients who are obese (with a BMI of 30 or above)?

No

2. Have referral policies changed for elective procedures for patients who smoke?

No

3. Are you considering changing referral policies for elective procedures for patients who are obese?

Yes – NHS South Sefton CCG are reviewing all policies, but no decisions have yet been made.

4. Are you considering changing referral policies for elective procedures for patients who smoke?

Yes – NHS South Sefton CCG are reviewing all policies, but no decisions have yet been made.

5. If yes to any of the above what has the change been or what change are you considering?

As part of this review, NHS South Sefton CCG are considering health optimisation schemes.



6. What is the current average wait from referral to treatment for elective hip replacements for patients who are obese or smoke?

NHS South Sefton CCG does not hold this information.

7. What is the current average wait from referral to treatment for elective hip replacements for patients who are not obese and do not smoke?

NHS South Sefton CCG does not hold this information.