Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_426_17

You asked:

Could provide me with information on the recently piloted Rapid Cancer Diagnosis Centre. I would like to know, if possible:

1. How many patients have been assessed at the Diagnosis Centre since its implementation, and how many were referred within 7 days?

65 patients have been seen since the clinic commenced on 18 July 2017. All patients were referred within 7 days.

2. How many patients seen at the centre were diagnosed with a form of cancer?

Since the commencement of the pilot service, 3 patients have received a confirmed cancer diagnosis. 5 further patients are undergoing investigation for a suspicion of cancer.

3. How many members of staff are needed to staff the service? (eg, number of oncologists, nurses, health assistants?)

The following members of staff are required to staff the service:

- 1 Acute physician and/or GP (2 sessions per week)
- 1 Radiologist (2 sessions per week)
- 1 WTE Clinic Coordinator (full time)

4. How much does is cost to provide the service?

Projected annual costs associated with service provision: £158,838