

Please see information below from NHS Dumfries and Galloway's National Waiting Times submissions. For question 2 we can only provide timescales for patients who are eligible for the 62 day pathway as local systems are not setup to record the timescales for patients who are not eligible for this target. In addition patients may have had their target date adjusted for a number of clinical or patient induced reasons, for further information on these adjustments please visit Public Health Scotland's website. Please also note that data for question 3 is only for the period to the 31st December 2020 as data for Quarter 1 2021 has not been validated at this point in time. Data has been requested for all cancers however we do not hold data on waiting times to treatment for the following cancer sites

- Non Melanoma Skin Cancer
- Anal Cancer
- Thyroid Cancer
- Endometrial Cancer
- Brain/CNS Cancer

1) How many patients have been treated for cancer (of any kind) in each of the past 2 years ended 31 December 2020?

2019 - 839

2020 – 820

2) What was the time scale for treatment given to these patients? Could you please break this down to show patients treated within 62 days, or state how long this took to occur. Please state the nature of procedures which were within the 62 day limit from the date of urgent referral which is specified?

2019 – 443 patients eligible for 62 day pathway, 93.99% of these patients were treated within 62 days referral (all procedures recognised as first treatment by the Scottish Government Guidelines for managing Cancer Waiting Times)

2020 – 456 patients eligible for 62 day pathway, 93.85% of these patients were treated within 62 days referral (all procedures recognised as first treatment by the Scottish Government Guidelines for managing Cancer Waiting Times)

3) What is the present position in view of the situation with Covid 19? Can you advise the percentage of cases treated within 62 days since March 2020?

93.42% of patients were treated within 62 days referral within this timescale