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Subject: DVT Ultrasound Pathway Data

REQUEST

Please provide the following information for December 2024 to November 2025, financial year 2024/25, or the most recent 12 month period available:

1. Scan volume

Total number of lower limb duplex or Doppler ultrasound scans performed for suspected deep vein thrombosis (DVT).

2. Waiting times

- a) Average time from order to completion, or request to scan completion, whichever your systems record.
- b) If recorded, the number or percentage of patients who received their scan within:
 - i. 4 hours
 - ii. between 4 and 24 hours
 - iii. between 24 and 48 hours
 - iv. more than 48 hours after request

(for example: X% within 4 hours, Y% between 4 and 24 hours, Z% more than 48 hours, etc).

3. Overnight admissions

Number admitted overnight specifically to await their scan, if recorded.

Any format is fine. If exact breakdowns are not available, please provide whatever waiting time data your systems hold with a brief note on what is measured.

I'm referring to all patients requiring a DVT ultrasound scan, so both A&E attendances and GP referrals ideally.

If it's easier on your end to provide the data broken down by pathway, that would be absolutely fine and actually very helpful.

RESPONSE

1. Scan Volume 1.12.24 to 30.11.25

US Doppler Veins Leg Lt	2843
US Doppler Veins Leg Rt	2507
Grand Total	5350

2. Waiting Times

A. Due to the way the stat runs we cannot give an average as approximately 50% of patients have a follow up within 7 days and there is no way to differentiate these from the initial first urgent scan.

B. This data is from order to completion, these figures include all the above exams

i. 4 hours	2203
ii. between 4 and 24 hours	523
iii. between 24 and 48 hours	616
iv. more than 48 hours after request	2008
Grand Total	5350

3. Overnight admissions

Unfortunately, we cannot collate this data.