

Ref. No: FOI2277  
Date: 09/01/2026  
Subject: Outpatient Booking Team Call Handling Metrics

## REQUEST & RESPONSE

Metric	Response	Notes / Definitions
1. Total inbound calls received by your Outpatient Booking/Appointment Teams (most recent 12-month period of available data. )	140,688	Please provide a total figure for the Trust or per department if reported separately.
2. Percentage of abandoned calls	15%	Definition: An <i>abandoned call</i> is one where the caller disconnects before the call is answered by a staff member or before reaching a completed interaction (e.g., leaving the queue or self-service pathway).
3. Average call answer time (ASA)	00:05	Please provide the average time taken to answer calls (e.g., 2 minutes = 02:00 minutes). If multiple departments have different ASAs, please provide each.

4. Categories/reasons for inbound calls received	N/A Please see Section 12 attached	Please list the main call reasons tracked by your systems in the form of a percentage (e.g., appointment booking, rescheduling, cancellations, blood tests, queries, waiting list queries, etc.). If available, please include approximate volumes or percentages for each category.
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If the information is held across multiple call centres or systems, please indicate this in the table or provide supplementary detail as needed.