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Thank you for your access request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act which we received on June 02, 2020. We received your \$5.00 application fee and note that your request is for access to the following information:

Please provide data on the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for a surgical procedure in 2018-19. Please break the data out by procedure and case info – date the patient was referred to a specialist, date for the procedure and date of cancellation.) Please also note the government's target time for providing the procedure in question.

Please email gage@secondstreet.org

Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre (TBRHSC) is able to provide the following information at no cost to you:

- Partial* de-identified case data as detailed in your request, including Service Details, Date of Referral, Date of Most Recent Status Change in System (In most cases, this is the cancellation date), and Target Time (Days) for Procedure.

*Please note date of procedure is no longer tracked once cancelled and case data for some procedures is instead tracked by Private Practice Clinics.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. If you disagree with our decision, you have a right to appeal to the Information and Privacy Commissioner. The Commissioner can be reached at:

Registrar
Information and Privacy Commissioner/Ontario
1400-2 Bloor Street East
Toronto, ON M4W 1A8

Please note that you have 30 days from the receipt of this letter to request a review from the Commissioner. We would appreciate you using the request number assigned to your request in any further correspondence.

Sincerely,

Carrie Faubert
Privacy and Freedom of Information Specialist
Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre
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**De-Identified Listing of Surgical Waitlist Data for Deceased Patients
Time Period: January 01, 2018 to December 31, 2019**

Case	Service Area ¹	Service Detail 1 ¹	Date of Referral (mm/dd/yyyy) ²	Date of Most Recent Update in System (mm/dd/yyyy) ³	Target Time for Surgery (days) ⁴
1	Oncology Procedures	Lymphomas	10/25/2018	01/08/2019	14
2	Urologic Surgery	Benign Prostate Surgery	04/30/2018	01/08/2019	84
3	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Dentistry	Management of Infections	10/30/2018	01/30/2019	182
4	General Surgery	Digestive System Surgery	No referral date provided	02/20/2019	84
5	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Dentistry	Dental/Periodontal/Dento-Alveolar Procedures	06/13/2016	03/21/2019	182
6	Urologic Surgery	Benign Prostate Surgery	No referral date provided	04/30/2018	84
7	Orthopaedic Surgery	Elbow	03/14/2018	07/06/2018	182
8	Oncology Procedures	Digestive System - Stomach	08/16/2018	09/04/2018	Not available
9	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Dentistry	Management of Infections	02/05/2018	09/04/2018	182
10	Oncology Procedures	Lymphomas	No referral date provided	09/19/2018	14
11	Orthopaedic Surgery	Shoulder	02/17/2017	09/20/2018	182
12	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	09/29/2017	10/22/2018	182
13	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	No referral date provided	10/30/2018	182
14	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	No referral date provided	10/30/2018	182
15	Urologic Surgery	Benign Prostate Surgery	No referral date provided	06/06/2019	28
16	Orthopaedic Surgery	Knee	No referral date provided	05/10/2019	182
17	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and Dentistry	Dental/Periodontal/Dento-Alveolar Procedures	11/12/2018	05/06/2019	182
18	Urologic Surgery	Benign Bladder Surgery	No referral date provided	04/03/2019	182
19	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	01/09/2019	05/30/2019	182
20	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	01/09/2019	05/30/2019	182
21	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	No referral date provided	05/30/2019	182
22	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	No referral date provided	05/30/2019	182



23	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	No referral date provided	05/21/2019	182
24	Orthopaedic Surgery	Shoulder	11/29/2018	04/01/2019	182
25	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	No referral date provided	06/13/2019	182
26	General Surgery	Digestive System Surgery	No referral date provided	08/30/2019	84
27	Oncology Procedures	Genitourinary (excluding Prostate)	06/04/2019	07/03/2019	28
28	Oncology Procedures	Lymphomas	08/14/2019	09/03/2019	28
29	General Surgery	Skin and Structures Surgery	05/11/2018	07/16/2019	182
30	General Surgery	Hernia Surgery	05/15/2018	07/16/2019	182
31	General Surgery	Digestive System Surgery	No referral date provided	08/26/2019	182
32	Orthopaedic Surgery	Shoulder	11/29/2018	11/25/2019	84
33	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	01/30/2018	11/08/2019	182
34	Ophthalmic Surgery	Cataract	01/30/2018	11/08/2019	182
35	Orthopaedic Surgery	Hip	02/12/2019	11/15/2019	182
36	Oncology Procedures	Gynaecological	09/22/2017	03/06/2018	Not available
37	Ophthalmic Surgery	Ophthalmic Plastics	11/15/2017	01/24/2018	42
38	Neurosurgery	Cranioplasty Surgery	01/02/2018	03/14/2018	56
39	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	Lower Extremity Reconstructive Surgery	No referral date provided	02/02/2018	84
40	Orthopaedic Surgery	Knee	06/07/2017	03/14/2018	84
41	Orthopaedic Surgery	Shoulder	09/20/2017	03/14/2018	182
42	Case data not available in WTIS as tracking occurs only through Private Practice Clinic.				
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Notes:

1. Service Area and Service Detail 1 are used by Ontario's Access to Care (ATC) in categorizing surgical waitlist data in Ontario's Wait Time Information System (WTIS).
2. Date of Referral is the date a surgeon received a referral from another physician regarding the patient in question. At this point, a decision regarding whether a surgery is required has not yet been made. In some cases, a referral date is not entered in the WTIS by the surgeon.
3. Date of Most Recent Update in System is the last date the WTIS data for a particular case was changed. In the majority of cases, this will be the procedure cancellation date, unless further changes were necessary following removal of the case from the WTIS. Cancellation date does not necessarily correspond to the date of a patient's death.
4. Target Time for Surgery is the maximum recommended time period between the decision-to-treat and the surgery date, per guidance from Ontario's Access to Care (ATC). The target time varies by type of surgery and priority level.