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Re: Freedom of Information Request – 2026-0408

Northern Health received your request for access to records under FIPPA on Thursday April 30, 2026. You have requested the following information from our records:

> "Died on a Waitlist" statistics that include:
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> 1) the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for surgery or a procedure in fiscal year 2025-26. Please break the data out by procedure/surgery and case info - date the patient was referred to a specialist, decision date, date for the procedure and date of cancellation. Include the government's target time for providing the procedure in question. Date range: April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026
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> and
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> 2) the number of patients that died while on a waiting list for either a diagnostic scan or a consultation with a specialist in fiscal year 2025-26. Please break the data out by scan/consultation and case info – date the patient went on the waiting list, date for the meeting with a specialist or date for diagnostic scan (if scheduled), and date of cancellation. Include the government's target time for providing the consultation or scan in question. The timeframe for this request is April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026

I completed a call for records to Northern Health's Information and Data Hub which generates and tracks statistical data on behalf of Northern Health. They have produced the package of statistics on the next pages. The government's target time for providing consultations or scans in the second half of your request was not tracked in the statistical data we could compile.

If you have any questions or require any clarification regarding how your request was processed, please contact our office by email. If after speaking to us, you would like to file an access complaint with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, you may do so by following the instructions located on their website at: https://www.oipc.bc.ca/for-the-public/how-do-i-make-a-complaint/

Sincerely,

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Northern Health: Patient Deceased Cancellations from Surgery Wait List - FY2025/26

Specialty Description	Procedure_HA_Procedure_Description	Referral To Surge	Decision For Surgery Date	Booking Form Received Date	Surgery Inactive Date	Target Wait Time Weeks	Total
Cardiology	PACEMAKER BATTERY PACK CHANGE	9/10/2025	10/8/2025	10/9/2025	10/23/2025	6	1
Dentist	DENTAL EXTRACTIONS AND RESTORATIONS	10/15/2025	10/15/2025	10/22/2025	11/17/2025	12	1
General Surgery	CENTRAL VENOUS CATHETER INSERTION	6/3/2025	6/9/2025	6/9/2025	8/19/2025	4	1
General Surgery	INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR WITH MESH	12/9/2024	2/26/2025	3/4/2025	6/9/2025	12	1
General Surgery	INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR WITH MESH	7/16/2025	8/12/2025	8/13/2025	8/22/2025	12	1
General Surgery	UMBILICAL HERNIA REPAIR (ADULT)	9/3/2024	3/5/2025	3/5/2025	6/2/2025	12	1
General Surgery	WRIST GANGLION EXCISION	4/5/2024	8/23/2024	8/23/2024	6/7/2025	26	1
Obstetrics & Gynaecology	COLPOSCOPY	12/6/2024	12/22/2024	12/27/2024	10/28/2025	26	1
Obstetrics & Gynaecology	CYSTOSCOPY (FEMALE)	7/24/2025	7/24/2025	7/25/2025	11/16/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	3/12/2024	1/30/2025	4/25/2025	10/29/2025	6	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	4/29/2024	4/9/2025	5/20/2025	10/27/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	4/1/2025	6/11/2025	6/16/2025	9/3/2025	6	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	5/20/2025	6/18/2025	8/14/2025	3/2/2026	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	10/1/2025	12/8/2025	12/16/2025	2/24/2026	6	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	5/24/2017	6/26/2025	7/2/2025	10/16/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	3/5/2021	7/23/2025	7/24/2025	11/3/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	4/13/2021	7/6/2021	4/10/2024	5/1/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	6/19/2023	4/13/2024	4/29/2024	8/18/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	11/8/2023	5/14/2025	5/27/2025	11/17/2025	6	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	4/29/2024	4/9/2025	5/20/2025	10/27/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	5/12/2024	10/26/2024	11/11/2024	6/20/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	4/1/2025	6/11/2025	6/16/2025	9/3/2025	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	5/14/2025	11/27/2025	1/6/2026	2/28/2026	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	5/20/2025	6/18/2025	8/14/2025	3/2/2026	6	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE CATARACT EXTRACTION WITH IOL-PHACO	10/1/2025	12/8/2025	12/16/2025	2/24/2026	26	1
Ophthalmology Surgery	EYE INDIRECT LASER RETINOPEXY	2/9/2022	5/17/2024	6/3/2024	6/4/2025	26	1
Oral Maxillofacial Surgery	DENTAL EXTRACTIONS	11/22/2025	1/8/2026	1/12/2026	1/26/2026	2	1
Orthopedic Surgery	ANKLE REMOVAL HARDWARE	11/14/2024	2/26/2025	3/14/2025	8/19/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	ANKLE REMOVAL HARDWARE	8/14/2024	11/28/2024	12/6/2024	9/12/2025	26	1
Orthopedic Surgery	FEMUR IM NAILING CEMENTED	6/12/2024	4/17/2025	5/9/2025	9/27/2025	6	1
Orthopedic Surgery	FINGER ARTHRODESIS	7/15/2024	1/2/2025	1/6/2025	6/19/2025	26	1
Orthopedic Surgery	HIP TOTAL REPLACEMENT UNCEMENT	12/19/2023	5/26/2025	6/11/2025	6/30/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	KNEE TOTAL REPLACEMENT ARTHROPLASTY	4/1/2023	1/20/2025	2/10/2025	9/17/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	KNEE TOTAL REPLACEMENT ARTHROPLASTY	10/4/2023	3/5/2025	3/28/2025	6/18/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	KNEE TOTAL REPLACEMENT ARTHROPLASTY	5/31/2023	1/6/2025	1/30/2025	4/24/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	KNEE TOTAL REPLACEMENT ARTHROPLASTY	7/22/2024	7/26/2024	8/27/2024	12/18/2025	26	1
Orthopedic Surgery	KNEE TOTAL REPLACEMENT ARTHROPLASTY		5/30/2025	6/2/2025	9/11/2025	26	1
Orthopedic Surgery	SHOULDER ARTHROSCOPIC ACROMIOPLASTY	4/25/2025	5/6/2025	5/8/2025	6/19/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	SHOULDER TOTAL ARTHROPLASTY REVERSE	3/3/2023	2/3/2025	2/14/2025	7/19/2025	12	1
Orthopedic Surgery	SHOULDER TOTAL ARTHROPLASTY REVERSE	12/13/2024	2/20/2025	2/27/2025	9/26/2025	12	1
Otolaryngology Surgery	PHARYNGEAL BIOPSY	12/2/2025	12/2/2025	12/5/2025	12/11/2025	2	1
Plastic Surgery	PALMAR FASCIECTOMY	10/15/2025	1/28/2026	1/28/2026	3/5/2026	12	1
Plastic Surgery	TOENAIL EXCISION DESTRUCTION NAIL BED	5/27/2025	11/12/2025	11/24/2025	12/17/2025	6	1
Grand Total							**43**

MI orders cancelled due to 'Patient Expired' Cancel Reason - FY2025/26

Exam Type	Catalog	BOOKING_FORM_DATE	BOOKING_PROC_SCHED_D	BOOKING_PROC_CANCEL_DATE	Total
CT	CT Abdomen & Pelvis w/ Contrast	2/17/2026	2/17/2026	2/17/2026	1
CT	CT Angio Chest, Abdomen & Pelvis	2/22/2026	2/22/2026	2/22/2026	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	6/17/2025	6/17/2025	6/17/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	8/10/2025	8/10/2025	8/10/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	10/24/2025	10/24/2025	10/24/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	4/21/2025	4/21/2025	4/21/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	3/8/2026	3/8/2026	3/8/2026	1
X-Ray	XR Abdomen Supine & Erect	3/15/2026	3/15/2026	3/15/2026	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	3/15/2026	3/15/2026	3/15/2026	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	3/6/2026	3/6/2026	3/6/2026	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	7/18/2025	7/18/2025	7/18/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	6/21/2025	6/22/2025	6/22/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest 1	12/7/2025	12/7/2025	12/7/2025	1
X-Ray	XR Chest TBC	5/12/2025	6/4/2025	6/4/2025	1
Total					**13**