

Date: **10 August 2020**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5892**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your following request for information:

Your Request and Our Response (in Bold).

Please can you provide information on the average time it took for the North East Thames Regional Genetics Laboratory to provide a Genetics Laboratory Report on a next generation sequence analysis of a 72 gene panel between January 2016 and September 2016. Please provide this timeframe as from the date a blood sample is received by the laboratory to the date a laboratory report is sent with the result. Please only include information about standard requests for a report and not those that were requested as "urgent" or to be "fast tracked".

The data is for our Early Infantile Epilepsy and Encephalopathy (EIEE) panel where 72 genes are analysed.

For large multigene panels the target turnaround time from sample receipt to report was 112 working days or 4 months. This was revised in 2019 to 84 calendar days (3 months).

We reported 402 EIEE cases from January to September 2016. The average turnaround time was 113 days (range = 38 to 191). 67% of reports within the 112 day guidance turnaround time.

Please note

The information we have provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date your request was received by the Trust.

We hope the information provided is sufficient and helpful in answering your questions, issues or concerns. Should you have any further queries in relation to this request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team and quote the above reference number on any related correspondence.

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Yours sincerely

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Should you have any questions relating to the response you have received to your request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Alternatively, you are entitled to make a request for an internal review within two months from the date of receiving our final response to your original request. You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
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