



SA Health Specialist Outpatient Clinics Waiting Time Report

Census date as at 31 December 2021

This report details metropolitan specialist outpatient waiting times for Routine (category 2) and Non-urgent (category 3) patients who have not been given an appointment date at the census date (i.e. are unscheduled).

The Report promotes greater transparency and supports South Australians to make an informed decision when discussing care and treatment options with their health practitioner.

Legend:

RAH - Royal Adelaide Hospital | TQEH - The Queen Elizabeth Hospital | LMH - Lyell McEwin Hospital | MH – Modbury Hospital | FMC - Flinders Medical Centre | NHS - Noarlunga Hospital | WCH - Women’s and Children’s Hospital
N/A: Data not available, NSC: data not statistically calculable, * One wait list – multiple site service

Outpatient Specialty	Hospital	Median Waiting Time (Months)	Maximum Waiting Time (Months)
Breast	RAH	2	4
	TQEH	0	0
	LMH	0	0
	MH	0	0
Cardiology	RAH	15	67
	TQEH	3	6
	LMH	4	16
	NHS*	4	12
	WCH	2	4
Cardiothoracic	RAH	0	0
	FMC	0	0
Craniofacial	RAH	6	27
	WCH	3	17
Dermatology	RAH	2	14
	TQEH	14	47
	FMC	9	31
	WCH	2	14
Developmental Disability	WCH	8	21
Ear, nose and throat (ENT)	RAH	24	82
	TQEH	3	51
	LMH	20	52
	MH	22	41
	FMC	9	38
	WCH	10	36
Endocrinology	RAH	15	86
	TQEH	11	62
	LMH	4	19
	MH	5	30
	FMC *	11	45
	WCH	1	2

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Epilepsy	RAH	23	69
Gastroenterology	RAH	1	25
	TQEH	25	78
	LMH *	13	27
	FMC *	22	81
	WCH	2	7
General Medicine	RAH	1	2
	TQEH	2	6
	LMH	0	0
	MH	0	0
	FMC	6	22
	NHS	5	12
General Surgery	RAH	1	54
	TQEH	11	80
	LMH	13	27
	MH	3	5
	FMC *	14	71
Genetics	RAH	1	37
	WCH	-	-
Geriatric Medicine	RAH	2	10
	TQEH	2	14
	MH	1	4
	FMC	2	37
Gynaecology	RAH	0	10
	TQEH	1	32
	LMH	13	28
	MH	5	21
	FMC *	20	56
	WCH	6	27
Gynaecology Oncology	RAH	0	0
	LMH	0	0
	FMC	9	20
Haematology	RAH	0	0
	TQEH	0	0
	LMH	6	16
	FMC *	6	38
	WCH	1	6

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Hepatobiliary	RAH	< 1	18
	TQEH	3	16
Immunology	RAH	12	40
	FMC *	18	57
	WCH	7	34
Infectious diseases	RAH	3	9
	TQEH	< 1	2
	LMH	1	1
	FMC	2	45
	WCH	2	4
Medical Oncology (consultation)	RAH	< 1	1
	TQEH	0	0
	LMH	0	0
	FMC	8	38
	WCH	< 1	3
Metabolic	WCH	0	0
Nephrology	RAH	0	0
	LMH	10	25
	MH	6	10
	FMC *	11	34
	WCH	2	5
Neurology	RAH	17	74
	TQEH	9	79
	LMH	2	3
	MH	2	4
	FMC	13	54
	WCH	8	34
Neurosurgery	RAH	15	86
	FMC	35	77
	WCH	1	3
Ophthalmology	RAH	15	89
	TQEH	25	86
	MH	22	51
	FMC *	10	81
	WCH	14	43
Orthopaedics	RAH	10	89
	TQEH	25	74
	LMH	19	48
	MH	12	42
	NHS *	8	52
	WCH	2	6
Paediatric medicine	LMH *	9	33
	FMC	6	54
	WCH	4	15

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Paediatric surgery	FMC	19	35
	WCH	0	0
Pain Management	RAH	0	0
	TQEH	7	29
	MH	4	5
	FMC *	3	29
	WCH	4	10
Palliative Care	RAH	0	0
	TQEH	0	0
	MH	0	0
	FMC	0	0
	WCH	< 1	1
Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery	RAH	11	60
	TQEH	16	82
	MH	11	32
	FMC	25	80
	WCH	< 1	2
Psychiatry	RAH	1	23
	TQEH	0	0
	FMC	3	6
	WCH	3	22
Radiation Therapy (consultation)	TQEH	0	0
	WCH	0	0
Rehabilitation - Medicine	TQEH	-	-
	MH	3	7
	FMC	22	49
	WCH	2	8
Respiratory	RAH	6	7
	TQEH	24	50
	LMH	6	22
	MH	6	10
	FMC *	10	42
	WCH	6	2
Respiratory – Cystic Fibrosis	WCH	0	0
Rheumatology	RAH	1	19
	TQEH	3	16
	LMH	9	21
	MH	11	25
	FMC	12	44
	WCH	2	2

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Sleep Disorders	RAH	6	41
	TQEH	6	25
	LMH	10	33
	MH	4	10
	FMC *	16	55
	WCH	-	28
Spinal	RAH	2	22
	TQEH	0	0
	WCH	0	3
Urology	RAH	24	83
	TQEH	17	56
	LMH	13	45
	MH	4	10
	FMC *	25	84
	WCH	3	12
Vascular Surgery	RAH	9	39
	TQEH	5	6
	LMH	3	10
	MH	6	11
	FMC *	11	52

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