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Scott Heald, Director of Data and Digital Innovation
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(by email)

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Dear Scott

Re: Request for assessment of Waiting Times Statistics in Scotland

Thank you for your letter of 31 January requesting a series of compliance checks and an assessment of Public Health Scotland's waiting times statistics.

As you have confirmed, hospital waiting times are of high public interest across the UK. I therefore welcome your endeavours to publicly demonstrate the compliance of these statistics with the Code of Practice for Statistics. I am pleased to confirm that my team will shortly begin this assessment.

I am copying this letter to David Baird, Service Manager at Public Health Scotland.

Yours sincerely



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