

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Health and Community Services

Wait Time Information - Bladder Cancer Surgery

Q: What is Cancer Surgery?

Cancer surgery is an operation to repair or remove part of the body in the treatment of cancer.

Q: Who goes on a wait list?

Anyone who needs a treatment that has a wait list is placed on the list, unless it is an emergency. Emergency patients are treated as quickly as possible.

Q: What is Bladder Cancer Surgery?

Bladder cancer surgery is an operation to repair or remove part of the group of cancers of the bladder.

Q: Where will I be referred to have this surgery?

Ask your doctor/specialist where you can have your cancer surgery done, as these procedures are performed in the following hospitals:

Eastern Zone General Hospital - Health Sciences Centre - St. John's Central Zone Central Newfoundland Regional Health Centre - Grand Falls-Windsor Western Zone Western Memorial Regional Hospital - Corner Brook

Q: How are wait times measured?

For this operation, the wait time is measured from when you and your surgeon decide to proceed with surgery for the confirmed cancer to when the procedure is completed.

Q: What is the benchmark wait time for cancer surgery?

There is no national benchmark for this surgical procedure.

Table 1: Bladder Cancer Surgery Wait Times for Q2 (July 1 – September 30, 2023-2024)

| Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services | Number of Procedures | 5 out of 10 patients had surgery within this number of days | 9 out of 10 patients had surgery within this number of days | |
|---|-------------------------|---|---|--|
| Zone, Hospital | | | | |
| Eastern | | | | |
| Health Sciences Centre | 40 | 26 | 47 | |
| Central | | | | |
| Central Newfoundland Regional Health Centre | NC | NC | NC | |
| Western | | | | |
| Western Memorial Regional Hospital | 8 | 40 | 48 | |

Source: Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services (NLHS), Newfoundland and Labrador

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