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Summary Issue: IVF

This information relates to Bristol Clinical Commissioning Group

Question	Response
1) How many cycles of IVF do you currently offer to eligible patients?	1 cycle.
2) How many cycles did you offer to eligible patients in 2014? And 2013?	2013 - 1 cycle. 2014 - 1 cycle.
3) What are the upper and lower age limits for male patients?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No lower age limit.• The prospective father is aged up to 55th Birthday.
4) What are the upper and lower ages limits for female patients?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No lower age limit.• The prospective mother must not be older than 18 weeks before her 40th birthday at referral as no female patient will be placed on the waiting list for secondary care fertility assessment within 18 weeks of their 40th birthday.
5) What were the upper and lower age limits for males in 2014? And 2013?	2013 – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No lower age limit.• Upper age limit for perspective father 55 years of age. 2014 – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No lower age limit• Upper age limit for perspective father 55 years of age.
6) What were the upper and lower age limits for	2013 –

females in 2014? And 2013?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No lower age limit. • The prospective mother must not be older than 18 weeks before her 40th birthday at referral as no female patient will be placed on the waiting list for secondary care fertility assessment within 18 weeks of their 40th birthday <p>2014 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No lower age limit • The prospective mother must not be older than 18 weeks before her 40th birthday at referral as no female patient will be placed on the waiting list for secondary care fertility assessment within 18 weeks of their 40th birthday.
7) What is the current average waiting time in weeks from referral to procedure for a couple's first round of IVF?	Bristol CCG does not hold this information. Please note: patients who are eligible for fertility treatment, through NHS patient choice, can choose which NHS treatment centre they attend.
8) Are you in the process of reviewing either the number of cycles offered or the patient age limit?	Policy due for renewal December 2017 but may be sooner subject to NICE guidelines/ publications and ongoing secondary care feedback.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 3rd December 2015