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NHS FIFE HITS FOUR HOUR A&E TARGET FOR JULY

Performance across Scotland's accident and emergency departments was above the 95% target during the final week of July – with 95.3% of patients seen, admitted or discharged within four hours.

Latest figures show that 97% of patients in NHS Fife's emergency departments were seen, admitted or discharged within four hours.

Scottish hospitals have now had the best performing emergency departments in the UK for more than two years, according to the most recently available figures.

Commenting David Torrance MSP for the Kirkcaldy constituency said:

“It is very encouraging that latest figures show that performance in A&Es across Scotland were above the 95% target again – the third week in a row.

“Scotland's A&Es have now outperformed those in the rest of the UK for 27 consecutive months – and this success is testament to the hard work of our NHS and social care workers.

“It is extremely encouraging that Victoria Hospital's Emergency Department is meeting the four hour waiting times target, with the latest figures published showing that 97% of patients are being seen within four hours.

“We will always value the vital work done by our NHS staff – and we should always celebrate their success and continue to support their efforts.”

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