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Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 148- 2020

Thank you for your email dated the 14th July 2020, requesting information relating to ophthalmology and cataract surgery.

The information that you require is as follows:

- 1. What was the annual budget for the Trust's ophthalmology and eye departments in each of the last 5 financial years?**
- 2. How many patients were treated by the Trust's ophthalmology and eye departments outpatient clinics in each of the last 5 financial years?**
- 3. How many patients treated by the Trust's ophthalmology and eye departments outpatient clinics were treated for complications arising from refractive surgery in each of the last 5 financial years?**
- 4. How many patients treated by the Trust's ophthalmology and eye departments outpatient clinics were treated for complications arising from contact lens wear in each of the last 5 financial years?**
- 5. Of all the patients treated by the Trust's ophthalmology and eye departments outpatient clinics, what percentage were treated for complications arising from contact lens wear in each of the last 5 financial years?**
- 6. How many of the Trust's patients had cataract surgery in each of the last 5 financial years?**

7. What were the average waiting times from point of referral to being listed for cataract surgery in each of the last 5 financial years?
8. What were the average waiting times from point of referral to undergoing first eye cataract surgery in each of the last 5 financial years?
9. How many patients are currently waiting to have cataract surgery?
10. What number and percentage of patients that have a cataract procedure on their first eye go on to have a cataract procedure on their second eye within six months of the first in each of the last five financial years?
11. What number and percentage of patients that have a cataract procedure on their first eye go on to have a cataract procedure on their second eye within twelve months of the first in each of the last five financial years?
12. What percentage of patients have a cataract procedure performed on each of their two eyes (bilateral procedure) on the same day during each of the last five financial years?

I can confirm that our Trust does not hold any information in this regard. Our Trust is a tertiary specialist cancer treatment centre and does not have an Ophthalmology Department or provide cataract surgery. Therefore, the information you have requested is not applicable to our Trust in this instance.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

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