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Date: 13th July 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

My request relates to medical treatment by the NHS remediating elective surgery operations sought outside the UK.

I would like to request the following information:

1.) The number of patients treated by your NHS Trust from 2018 to 2023 so far (as much as recorded) for complications related to elective surgery undertaken outside the UK.

Please provide the numbers broken down year-by-year:

a) 2018

b) 2019

c) 2020

d) 2021

e) 2022

d) 2023 (to date)

If possible, please also:

2) indicate the original (outside the UK) medical treatment, and


3) the subsequent treatment the patient received in the UK, at your trust

Please provide the information in an electronic format, ideally an excel spreadsheet.

The Trust is unable to provide this data as it is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Claire Wannell
Divisional Director of Operations and Performance for Surgery

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111