

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request Ref: NGFOI 16/17: 289

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 31/08/16.

I am pleased that we are now able to provide you with a response to your request as shown below.

You requested:

For the financial years 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16, and to date in 2016/17,

1. What treatments, including procedures and surgery, were available privately at the Trust each year?

2. How much income did the Trust receive from private patients each year?

3. What were the average waiting times for the first outpatient appointment for a) private patients and b) NHS patients each year for referrals for the following: Knee replacement Hip replacement Cataract surgery Vasectomy Coronary artery bypass graft surgery Angioplasty

4. What were the average waiting times from the first outpatient appointment to the date of treatment for a) private patients and b) NHS patients each year for the following: Knee replacement Hip replacement Cataract surgery Vasectomy Coronary artery bypass graft surgery Angioplasty

Response from Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH):

Question 1:

I can confirm on behalf of the Trust and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not hold the information that you have requested. The Trust does not hold a standard list of what treatments, including procedures and surgery, were available privately at the Trust each year because our Private Patient price list is added to on demand and amended as appropriate.

Question 2:

In each case, these are figures for invoicing net of credits (some of which may relate to prior years)

2012/13	£1,333,593	
2013/14	£1,097,366	
2014/15	£900,791	
2015/16	£791,583	
2016/17	£373,949	(5 months)

Question 3 and 4:

I can confirm on behalf of the Trust and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not hold the information that you have requested.

Waiting list entries are not coded when they are put on the waiting list, they go on under the relevant specialty e.g. General surgery or T&O, and only after they have been seen as an outpatient the decision is made as to which operation is needed and after the operation has been performed the coding is added.