



Ref: FOIA Reference 2021/22-352

Date: 27th October 2021

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 1st October 2021 (received into our office 4th October) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding cancelled operations.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 Please can you tell me the number of last minute elective operations cancelled for non-clinical reasons at your Trust or board for each month of 2020 and 2021 to date?

A1 See below;

Jan-20	148
Feb-20	146
Mar-20	211
Apr-20	54
May-20	19
Jun-20	35
Jul-20	53
Aug-20	67
Sep-20	79
Oct-20	110
Nov-20	125
Dec-20	61
Jan-21	53
Feb-21	46
Mar-21	58
Apr-21	90
May-21	69
Jun-21	136
Jul-21	183

Aug-21	138
Sep-21	107

Q2 Please can you tell me the number of urgent operations cancelled for non-medical reasons during each month?

If giving the full data requested would be likely to exceed the costs cap, please provide data for the most recent month and then as many months as possible working backwards until the limit is reached.

A2 Confirmed NCEPOD urgent cancellations only:

Jan-20	6
Feb-20	2
Mar-20	3
Apr-20	5
May-20	2
Jun-20	2
Jul-20	0
Aug-20	0
Sep-20	2
Oct-20	8
Nov-20	1
Dec-20	13
Jan-21	7
Feb-21	8
Mar-21	2
Apr-21	6
May-21	2
Jun-21	15
Jul-21	17
Aug-21	26
Sep-21	12

Q3 If possible, please let me know how many of the cancelled elective operations had still not been carried out 28 days later.

A3 Confirmed breaches of the 28 day standard only: September data not available as we have not yet reached 28 days from all September last minute non clinical cancellations

Jan-20	20
Feb-20	4
Mar-20	17

Apr-20	1
May-20	1
Jun-20	1
Jul-20	3
Aug-20	8
Sep-20	10
Oct-20	22
Nov-20	39
Dec-20	14
Jan-21	13
Feb-21	2
Mar-21	6
Apr-21	7
May-21	11
Jun-21	36
Jul-21	44
Aug-21	22

Q4 If possible, please let me know how many of the cancelled urgent operations had still not been carried out 28 days later.

A4 Data for readmissions within 28 days of an urgent cancelled operations is not available.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

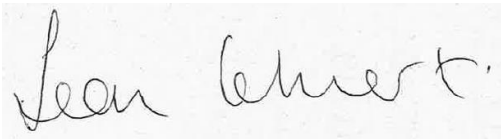
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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