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Dear Mr/Ms

I am writing in response to your email dated 24th September 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding pricing and volume of both in-house and outsourced service-line agreements in ophthalmology.

Q1 I am writing with a Freedom of Information request regarding the pricing and volume of both in-house and outsourced service-line agreements in ophthalmology.

Please provide the following information for your organisation for the past five financial years (FY2019-20 to FY2023-24):

1. Total Spend and Volumes: The total spend (in £) and volume (number of procedures) for both in-house and outsourced provisions for each of the following ophthalmology procedure groups:

- Cataract surgeries
- AMD – eye injections
- AMD - photodynamic therapy

LASIK

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- Corrective laser eye surgeries (e.g. PRK, LASEK, TransPRK)

If your records use different categorisations or sub-categories within these procedure groups, please provide the total spend and volumes for those as well

A1 Not applicable to UHNM as we do not outsource this procedure – see attached for in-house data

Q2 Outsourcing Spend and Volumes by provider: The volume and spend for each ophthalmology procedure group outsourced, broken down by specific private providers. Please specify the volume and spend for each of the following procedure groups for each provider:

- Cataract surgeries
- AMD – eye injections
- AMD - photodynamic therapy

LASIK

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- Corrective laser eye surgeries (e.g. PRK, LASEK, TransPRK)

A2 As answer 1

Q3 If a detailed breakdown is not available, please provide a list of the ophthalmology groups/providers to which your organisation outsources.

A3 As answer 1

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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.

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Yours,



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