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Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Please could I request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act on waiting times and the waiting list for elective surgery at your trust.

How many patients are currently on the waiting list for elective surgery? Of these, how many have been waiting for i) more than 6 months ii) more than twelve months c) more than eighteen months.

This information can be obtained from published information at: https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/rtt-waiting-times/rtt-data-2022-23/

This will include all elective pathways but is split by Treatment Function which will enable you to obtain information specific to surgery specialties.

What was the average wait for elective surgery in the past three financial years i) 2021/22 ii) 2020/21 and iii) 2019/20?

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Currently, what are the five longest waits for elective surgery at your trust?

Please see the "Download Waiting Times by Hospital Trust Sep22" available at: https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/rtt-waiting-times/rtt-data-2022-23/

If possible, please could i have this information broken down by the type of elective procedure e.g. a) knee replacement b) hip replacement and c) cataract

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We would not be able to break down into this level of detail as the information as the numbers will be small and could potentially identify individual patients.

Please can you provide the information in electronic format by email – ideally a single spreadsheet if possible.