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

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

- How many outpatient appointments do you offer per year
- What number of these appointments are completed?
- What number of these appointments did Not Attend (DNAs)?
- What number of these appointments are cancelled by the patient?
- What number of these appointments are cancelled by your organisation?

The answers to questions 2-5 for the year 2023 are provided in the table below. Although these can be summed to give a total of 702481 for question 1, it should be noted that as cancelled appointment slots can be reused, this number will be significantly higher than the number of appointments the trust can undertake in a given year.

| Question | Answer |
|---|--------|
| 2. Number of appointments attended | 434087 |
| 3. Number of DNAs | 48928 |
| 4. Number of appointments cancelled by patient | 84058 |
| 5. Number of appointments cancelled by the hospital | 135408 |

- What is the estimated cost of a completed appointment? £235.50
- What is the estimated cost of a cancelled or DNA appointment? We do not cost cancelled or DNA appointments.
- What software do you currently use to manage your outpatient appointments?

Emis Camis

How much does this software cost on an annual or monthly basis?

Commercially sensitive – as per contract clause

https://www.dbth.nhs.uk/about-us/our-publications/publication-scheme/what-we-spend-and-how-wespend-it/supplies-and-purchasing/

Did you purchase this software through a framework, if so which one?

NHS London Procurement Partnership (LPP)/ Clinical Digital Solutions Framework (CDS)

- What is your purchasing criteria if you were to purchase a similar software off framework? The Trust is seeking to move forward with an Electonic Patient Record system which would include Patient Administration Functions.
 - When is your current arrangement with this software due to end?

02 October 2026

What Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) do you measure in regards to outpatient appointments?

DNA rates

Utilisation rates

RTT Activity against plan Virtual consultation rates Patient Initiated Follow up rates Appointment reconciliation New to Follow up ratios Advice & guidance activity

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