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INFORMATION REQUEST FOI2022/343

30 November 2022

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request.

Please provide the following data for each year for your trust for 2017, 2018, 2021 and 2022 (year so far)

1. Average length of inpatient stay of Primary hip replacement patients post surgery
2. Number of ITU admissions post primary hip replacement
3. ASA grades per patient that have had Primary hip replacement
4. Cancellations of primary hip replacements

If this dataset exceeds that allowed time for FOI's, then please focus on the average length of stay data

I have considered your request and have set out the Trust's response below:

		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Q1	AvgLOS	6	5	4.7	5.4	4.6	5.4

		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Q2	ITU	14	7	2	6	4	5

Q3 - The information that you have requested is not held in a form that would enable it to be located, retrieved and extracted within the appropriate time limit that equates to 18 hours as defined by the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limits and Fees) Regulations 2004.

This information is not held on our database system, so we would have to check through our patient's paper records. During this time period we have done around 1600 primary hip replacements. On average, it would take approximately 5 minutes to check each file to get this data.

Based on 1600 files needing to be searched, and the search taking approximately 5 mins, this would take approximately 133 hours to complete. Where the appropriate limit is exceeded the Trust is not required to supply the information as per Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Under our duty to advice, as per section 16, we are providing answers to the other questions. This is as you suggested in your final sentence of your request.

Q4

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
On day	6	10	27	19	13	20	95
Day before	2	17	18	18	24	17	96
Total	8	27	45	37	37	37	191

Please note that a record of previous Trust FOI responses is now available to consult online by visiting:

<https://www.wyvalley.nhs.uk/about-us/information-requests/freedom-of-information-requests.aspx>

If you have queries or any concerns my contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request and wish to ask for a review of this, please contact me and I will arrange this to be done.

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Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF
Telephone: 0303 123 1113 Web site: www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Coordinator

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