University Hospitals Bristol NHS

NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-337

Date 30 June 2017



Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

- 1) Does the Trust deliver NHS funded ophthalmology services? Yes
- 2) Does the Trust have arrangements in place to offer patients referred to the Trust a choice of alternative provider of NHS funded ophthalmology services? No
- 3) If the Trust does have such arrangements in place, does the Trust hold documented pathways and protocols related to such arrangements? Where these exist, can you please provide them? Not applicable
- 4) Can you please provide the following monthly data for the 2 year period 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2017:
 - Numbers of patients offered a choice of an alternative provider of NHS funded ophthalmology services (per month).
 - Numbers of patients taking up the choice of an alternative provider of NHS funded ophthalmology services (per month).
 - Number of patients choosing each provider offered as a choice (per month).

Not applicable

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust Trust Headquarters Marlborough Street Bristol BS1 3NU Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,

