University Hospitals Bristol

NHS Foundation Trust

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-535

Date 14 November 2017



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

1. The number of elective operations carried out by the Trust in the following financial years:

2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	
66284	67633	69623	69281	75286	

2. The number of elective operations cancelled at the last minute* due to nonclinical reasons, in the following financial years:

2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	
749	690	749	713	734	

- 3. The number of elective operations cancelled at the last minute due to non-clinical reasons per financial year (2012/13 to 2016/17 inclusive), split into the following categories:
 - a. Staff unavailable or sick (either anaesthetist, surgeon, theatre staff or other)
 - b. Lack of available bed (either general or HDU, critical, or intensive care)
 - c. Theatre list over-ran or no space on it (e.g. due to emergency case(s) coming in)
 - d. Equipment missing / failure
 - e. Any other reason

Please see table below.

Year	Elective operations	Last-minute cancellations	Reason for last-minute cancellation				
	carried out		Staff unavailable / sick	Lack of available bed	Theatre list over-ran / no space on it	Equipment missing / failure	Any other reason
2012/13	66284	749	88	303	293	56	44
2013/14	67633	690	85	299	274	32	40
2014/15	69623	749	152	230	307	59	32
2015/16	69281	713	119	309	263	30	27
2016/17	75286	734	152	283	265	35	24

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

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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,

