

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-073

6 February 2023

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

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

- We can confirm that we hold some of the information you are requesting

Please see below series of questions regarding procedures delivered and tariffs paid relating to the cataract (and YAG laser) pathway.

The HRG codes related to the below questions for reference are:

**BZ31B BZ32B
BZ33Z BZ34B
BZ44B BZ45B
BZ46A BZ56B
BZ57A BZ57B
BZ62B BZ86B
BZ88A BZ92B
BZ94B BZ95Z**

1. Please confirm the number of cataract procedures performed on behalf of the ICB by the Trust between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

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2. Please confirm the number of cataract procedures performed on behalf of the ICB by each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

3. Please confirm the fee paid per cataract procedure to each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

4. Please confirm the total fees paid in respect of the delivery of cataract surgery (including pre-assessment and post-operative fees) to each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

5. Please confirm the fee paid per cataract pre-assessment (per individual and for all individuals collectively) to each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

6. Please confirm the fee paid per cataract post-operative assessment (per individual and for all individuals collectively) to each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

7. Please confirm the number of YAG capsulotomy procedures performed on behalf of the ICB by the Trust (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

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Please note: Where the figures are between 1 and 5, this has been denoted by *. Due to the low numbers, we have considered that there is the potential for individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1. The Trust therefore finds that the Section 40(2) exemption contained within the Freedom of information Act 2000 is engaged. (Section 40 is the exemption for personal information).

8. Please confirm the number of YAG capsulotomy procedures performed on behalf of the ICB by each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

9. Please confirm the fee paid per YAG capsulotomy procedure to each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

10. Please confirm the total fees paid in respect of the delivery of YAG capsulotomy surgery (including pre-assessment and post-operative fees) to each Independent Service Provider (as an individual entity) between 1 April 2022 and 31 December 2022.

Please contact Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board for this information at bnssg.foi@nhs.net

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:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston 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

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