

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 25-531

22 July 2025

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 do hold the information you are requesting

The current NHS payment guidance stipulates the payment of a Best Practice tariff for Primary hip and Knee replacement outcomes. Tariff is automated at the level that assumes that the tariff is achieved for the following HRGs at the following levels for the financial year 2025/26.

HRG code	HRG name	Best practice tariff: Elective tariff (£)	Non-best practice tariff: Elective tariff (£)
HN12E	Very Major Hip Procedures for Non-Trauma with CC Score 2-3	7,440	6,696
HN12F	Very Major Hip Procedures for Non-Trauma with CC Score 0-1	7,204	6,483
HN22D	Very Major Knee Procedures for Non-Trauma with CC Score 2-3	7,529	6,776
HN22E	Very Major Knee Procedures for Non-Trauma with CC Score 0-1	7,175	6,458

Consider the financial year 2024/25 please answer the following questions:

1. Did your commissioners withhold or claw back any part of the best practice tariff during the financial year? - No

2. If there was withheld or clawed back payment:

a. How much did this amount to for the financial year 2024/25. – Not applicable

b. What was the stated reason for this action? Specifically, which of the stated metrics in the guidance were not achieved resulting in non-payment. – 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:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
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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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