



Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

**Request Ref: NGFOI 16/17: 426**

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 15/11/16.

I am pleased that we are now able to provide you with a response to your request as shown below.

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You requested:

- *Over the past five financial years (2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16) please state the number of last minute elective surgery cancellations there have been for non-clinical reasons for the following branches of surgery: trauma and orthopaedics, neurology, cancer, and ophthalmology. Please break down by year and surgery type.*
- *Over the past five financial years (2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16) please state how many patients were not treated within 28 days of last minute elective cancellation of an operation for the following branches of surgery: trauma and orthopaedics, neurology, cancer, and ophthalmology. Please break down by year and surgery type.*

*Further to my email below, please can you include neurosurgery to the branches of surgery requested below. For clarification, "last minute" refers to on-the-day cancellations.*

*I would also like to clarify the request for cancellations of cancer surgery could also be expressed as 'cancellations for treatment of cancer'.*

**Response from Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH):**

Please find below the information as requested.

Kindly note: Neurology is not a specialty which an operation would be counted or recorded under. Operations for cancer would come under different specialties depending on the cancer site; therefore we are unable cancer related operations unless we review each individual diagnosis.

The 2013-14 data cannot be broken down by speciality. We can however provide the number of cancellations and 28 day breaches for that year. Please indicate if you would like us to provide data in that format.

	<u>Last minute cancellations</u>		
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2011-12	Apr - June	30	11
	July - Sept	14	18
	Oct - Dec	19	7
	Jan - March	29	6

	<b>Total</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>42</b>
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2012-13	Apr - June	32	18
	July - Sept	29	5
	Oct - Dec	31	16
	Jan - March	17	6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>45</b>
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2014-15	Apr - June	29	3
	July - Sept	31	9
	Oct - Dec	13	0
	Jan - March	17	11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>23</b>
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2015-16	Apr - June	30	6
	July - Sept	27	9
	Oct - Dec	24	16
	Jan - March	12	5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>36</b>

	<b><u>28 day Breaches</u></b>		
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2011-12	Apr - June	0	0
	July - Sept	0	0
	Oct - Dec	0	0
	Jan - March	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2012-13	Apr - June	0	0
	July - Sept	0	0
	Oct - Dec	1	0
	Jan - March	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

		T&O	Ophthalmology
2014-15	Apr - June	1	0
	July - Sept	1	2
	Oct - Dec	2	0
	Jan - March	0	1
	Total	4	3
		T&O	Ophthalmology
2015-16	Apr - June	0	0
	July - Sept	0	0
	Oct - Dec	1	0
	Jan - March	9	0
	Total	10	0