



Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request Ref: NGFOI 18/19: 110

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 17/05/2018.

I am pleased to be able to provide you with the following information:

1. *Please can you tell me whether the trust allows patients to self-fund for any of the following procedures?*
 - A. *Hip replacements*
 - B. *Knee replacements*
 - C. *Cataracts*

Yes, the Trust allows patients to self-fund for all of the above procedures

2. *If yes to all or part of question 1, please can you tell me how much the trust charges for:*
 - A. *hip replacements*

No fixed price – no PP activity in over 12 months

- B. *knee replacements*

No fixed price – likely range £5,800 - £9,000 (dependant on complexity, prosthetic, LOS etc)

- C. *cataracts*

£1,171 to £1,377 – dependant on specific procedure

3. *Please state the average waiting time (as of May 2018) for patients who self-fund for*
 - A. *hip replacements*
 - B. *knee replacements*
 - C. *cataracts*

I can confirm on behalf of the Trust and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not collate the information that you have requested.

4. *Please state the average waiting time (as of May 2018) for patients who have the following treatments provided by the NHS at the trust:*
 - A. *hip replacements*
 - B. *knee replacements*
 - C. *cataracts*

Operation	Average wait in days
Cataract	86
Hip replacement	118
Knee replacement	92

Please note: We do not hold a waiting list by procedure; these figures are from the list of patients that had any of the three operations during the first two weeks of May and calculated by the average time between date on waiting list and date of the procedure.

5. *Has the trust always enabled patients to self-fund or has it only been introduced recently, eg past five years?*

Self-funding has always been allowed