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REQUEST

- a) How many operations in total has your Trust cancelled from 1 March 2020 - 1 March 2021 and can you give a breakdown of reasons for the cancellations? How many were urgent operations?
- b) How many operations in total has your Trust cancelled from 1 March 2019 - 28 February 2020 and can you give a breakdown of reasons for the cancellations? How many were urgent operations?
- c) How many operations in total has your trust cancelled for Under 16s from 1 March 2020 - 1 March 2021 and can you give a breakdown of reasons for the cancellations? How many were urgent operations?
- d) How many operations in total has your trust cancelled for Under 16s from 1 March 2019 - 28 February 2020 and can you give a breakdown of reasons for the cancellations? How many were urgent operations?

RESPONSE

a)

	March 20 to Feb 21
Admin issue	18
Anaesthetic decision	0
Cancelled prior to date of planned admission due to bed capacity	**
Communication	11
DNA	475
Missing/Late case notes	0
Bed capacity	**
Equipment issue	15
Other	217
Patient Cancelled	212
Patient eaten	65
Patient failed to stop taking medicine	49
Patient no longer requires operation	181
Patient not advised to take/stop taking medicine	13
Patient not fit	843
Postponement	20
Theatre overrun	45
Absence	12
Surgeon issue	**
Urgent patient	21

	Urgent Cancelled
March 20 to Feb 21	43

b)

	March 19 to Feb 20
Admin issue	27
Anaesthetic decision	**
Cancelled prior to date of planned admission due to bed capacity	**
Communication	25
DNA	1604
Missing/Late case notes	**
Bed capacity	29
Equipment issue	39
Other	371
Patient Cancelled	648
Patient eaten	190
Patient failed to stop taking medicine	116
Patient no longer requires operation	378
Patient not advised to take/stop taking medicine	7
Patient not fit	1398
Postponement	25
Theatre overrun	161
Absence	32
Surgeon issue	**
Urgent patient	55

	Urgent Cancelled
March 19 to Feb 20	56

c)

	March 20 to Feb 21
Admin issue	0
Anaesthetic decision	0
Cancelled prior to date of planned admission due to bed capacity	0
Communication	0
DNA	6
Missing/Late case notes	0
Bed capacity	0
Equipment issue	0
Other	**
Patient Cancelled	0
Patient eaten	0
Patient failed to stop taking medicine	0
Patient no longer requires operation	0
Patient not advised to take/stop taking medicine	0
Patient not fit	**
Postponement	0
Theatre overrun	0
Absence	0
Surgeon issue	0
Urgent patient	**

We do not have the patient detail behind the Urgent Operations to distinguish ages

d)

	March 19 to Feb 20
Admin issue	0
Anaesthetic decision	0
Cancelled prior to date of planned admission due to bed capacity	0
Communication	0
DNA	7
Missing/Late case notes	0
Bed capacity	0
Equipment issue	0
Other	**
Patient Cancelled	**
Patient eaten	**
Patient failed to stop taking medicine	0
Patient no longer requires operation	8
Patient not advised to take/stop taking medicine	0
Patient not fit	14
Postponement	0
Theatre overrun	**
Absence	0
Surgeon issue	0
Urgent patient	0

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Please note: Where we have answered (**) We are unable to provide precise figures when those figures refer to individuals in volumes of 5 or less due to the risk that individuals will be re-identified, as we are required to protect their identity under the General Data Protection Regulations & Data Protection Act 2018. In such circumstances sections 40(2) and (3) of the Freedom of Information Act apply. In this case, our view is that disclosure would breach the first data protection principle. This states that personal data should be processed “lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner”. It is the lawful aspect of this principle which, in our view, would be breached by disclosure. In such circumstances section 40 confers an absolute exemption on disclosure.