

Ref. No: 362  
From: Public  
Date: 15/02/23  
Subject: Complaints received

## REQUEST

1. Number of operations performed in the past five calendar years for the following specialties: neurosurgery, orthopaedic surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, and vascular surgery.
2. Number of reportable / recordable patient safety incidents in the past five calendar years for the following specialties: neurosurgery, orthopaedic surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, and vascular surgery.
  - Breakdown by incident category (if available)

## RESPONSE

1. Number of operations performed in the past five calendar years for the following specialties: neurosurgery, orthopaedic surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, and vascular surgery.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Vascular Surgery	142	156	50	63	116	527
Trauma & Orthopaedics	4552	4451	2859	3588	3729	19179
<b>Total</b>	<b>4694</b>	<b>4607</b>	<b>2909</b>	<b>3651</b>	<b>3845</b>	<b>19706</b>

Please note that Neurosurgery and Cardiothoracic surgery is not carried out at St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust.

2. Number of reportable / recordable patient safety incidents in the past five calendar years for the following specialties: neurosurgery, orthopaedic surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, and vascular surgery.

Incident Category	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Abusive, violent, disruptive, or self-harming behaviour	13	21	17	28	11
Access, appointment, admission, transfer, discharge	33	33	23	25	24

Accident that may result in personal injury	176	137	140	113	150
Clinical assessment (investigations, images, and lab tests)	7	8	2	6	7
Consent, confidentiality, or communication	20	8	14	7	14
Diagnosis (failed or delayed)	6	7	1	6	1
Financial loss	1	2	1	4	3
Implementation of care or ongoing monitoring / review	83	113	116	137	204
Infrastructure or resources (staffing, facilities, environment)	10	12	1	9	13
Medical device / equipment	9	16	10	13	16
Medication	75	55	31	25	16
Patient information (records, documents, test results, scans)	18	14	12	9	13
Security	4	1	1	0	0
Treatment, procedure	28	17	41	81	92
<b>Total</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>564</b>

Please note that the incidents above are categorised as 'Orthopaedic Specialty', the other specialties are not applicable.