

Ref. No: 926
Date: 29/06/23
Subject: Elective surgery outside UK

REQUEST

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is a request for information by Isabel Alderson-Blench, on behalf of ITV National News.

My request relates to medical treatment by the NHS remediating elective surgery operations sought outside the UK.

I would like to request the following information:

1.) The number of patients treated by your NHS Trust from 2018 to 2023 so far (as much as recorded) for complications related to elective surgery undertaken outside the UK.

Please provide the numbers broken down year-by-year:

- a) 2018
- b) 2019
- c) 2020
- d) 2021
- e) 2022
- d) 2023 (to date)

If possible, please also:

- 2) indicate the original (outside the UK) medical treatment, and
- 3) the subsequent treatment the patient received in the UK, at your trust

RESPONSE

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act St Helens & Knowsley Teaching Hospitals Trust does not have to comply with a request if we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £450. The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2½ working days in answering the remainder of your questions. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.