

Ref: FOI 044

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

Dear Requestor

**Request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

On 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020 you sent a request, made under the Freedom of Information Act, relating to ophthalmology. I now provide this information as an attachment.

I can advise that NHS Dorset CCG does not hold all the information requested. We have been able to provide a response to questions 1,2 & 6. To obtain the information you require for the other questions, you will need to make your request to:

- The Royal Bournemouth and Christchurch Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on [foi@rbch.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@rbch.nhs.uk)
- Poole Hospital NHS Foundation Trust on [foi.requests@poole.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.requests@poole.nhs.uk)
- Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust on [FOI@dchft.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI@dchft.nhs.uk)

I trust that this is the information you require and that your request has been fully discharged.

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If you are unhappy with this response, you are entitled to request an internal review of our decision, handled where possible by a member of staff not directly involved in the initial decision. If you wish to request such a review, please write direct to the Data Protection

Officer, NHS Dorset, Ground Floor, West Wing, Vespasian House, Barrack Road, Dorchester DT1 1TG. We aim to deal with requests for internal review within three weeks of receipt, although where the issues involved are very complicated this period may be extended up to a total of six weeks.

If you have queries about this response, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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**Paddy Baker**

Data Protection Officer

NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group

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Below is our response to the aforementioned 3 questions, but it should be noted that this is based upon the SLAM (Service Level Agreement Monitoring) data we receive from Trusts and as such will not cover ad-hoc activity that goes outside of our area, but this will be minimal and as SLAM data contains local agreements it is a more accurate summary.

Inpatient data is a summary of all Chapter B HRG's (Eyes & Periorbita), whilst the Outpatient is all Treatment Function Codes 130 (Ophthalmology) and the Drug costs included are for Subfoveal Choroidal Neovascularisation. The data is based upon the last 5 financial years for ease of obtaining data, however the "Budgets" requested are actually showing the cost to the CCG.

**Q1:**

What was the annual budget for patients commissioned for care in ophthalmology and eye departments by the CCG in each of the last 5 financial years?

**Response:**

Budgets for the last 5 financial years (Includes IP's, OP's & Drugs):

Financial Year	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Budget	£ 17,453,502	£ 19,388,552	£ 20,010,220	£ 20,468,320	£ 21,455,900

**Q2:**

How many patients commissioned for care by the CCG were treated by ophthalmology and eye departments outpatient clinics in each of the last 5 financial years?

**Response:**

Patient Treatments in Clinics (may include multiple attendances for each patient)

Financial Year	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Inpatients Attendances	15,301	14,697	13,312	12,943	14,864
Outpatient Attendances	76,635	88,160	96,325	91,476	94,684

**Q6:**

How many of the patients commissioned for care by the CCG had cataract surgery in each of the last 5 financial years?

**Response:**

Instances of Cataract Surgery (all IP Spells achieving HRG with Cataract description, Outpatient Procedures are minimal and excluded):

Financial Year	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Inpatients Attendances	5,977	6,260	7,636	6,995	8,628