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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 19th July 2016, with regards to NHS Arthroplasty services.

Request/**Response**

Please note: We are unable to provide you with some of the information you have requested under section 1 (1)(a) of the FOI Act. This is because Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) does not hold some of the information you have requested, the CCG only became a statutory organisation from 1st April 2013, and therefore we cannot provide you with any data prior to that date.

All enquiries relating to the historic corporate work of Primary Care Trusts, including FOI requests, should be directed to the Department of Health as the relevant Statutory Body.

Your request should be redirected to the Department of Health at the following address:

[Mb legacy records@dh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Mb_legacy_records@dh.gsi.gov.uk)

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could you provide the following information for NHS Liverpool CCG?

Arthroplasty services are commissioned as part of the overall

orthopaedic activity with acute trust providers.

1. Does the CCG Commission NHS Arthroplasty services?
 - i. 2011
Not Available
 - ii. 2012
Not Available
 - iii. 2013
688
 - iv. 2014
649
 - v. 2015
616

3. What is the total number of hip replacement revision operations your Trust has commissioned over the following years?
 - i. 2011
Not Available
 - ii. 2012
Not Available
 - iii. 2013
65
 - iv. 2014
55
 - v. 2015
85

4. What is the total number of knee replacements your Trust has commissioned over the following years?

i. 2011

Not Available

ii. 2012

Not Available

iii. 2013

514

iv. 2014

591

v. 2015

535

5. What is the total number of knee replacement revisions your Trust has commissioned over the following years?

i. 2011

Not Available

ii. 2012

Not Available

iii. 2013

21

iv. 2014

22

v. 2015

41

6. What is the average length of time patients wait for a hip replacement

Data is only available by CCG the RTT (Referral to Treatment) waiting times. The source is Unify, where providers submit data by CCG. The average waiting time for all TFC's is 6.1 weeks as at April 2016. The average time it would take to clear the waiting list for Trauma & Orthopaedics is 13.1 weeks as at April 2016

procedure from diagnosis to treatment?

7. What is the average length of time patients wait for a hip replacement revision from diagnosis to treatment?

Please refer to Q6

8. What is the average length of time patients wait for a knee replacement from diagnosis to treatment?

Please refer to Q6

9. What is the average length of time patients wait for a knee replacement revision from diagnosis to treatment?

Please refer to Q6

- a) What is the maximum length of time patients wait for a hip replacement from diagnosis?

Please refer to Q6

- b) What is the maximum length of time patients wait for a hip replacement revision from diagnosis?

Please refer to Q6

- c) What is the maximum length of time patients wait for a knee replacement from diagnosis?

Please refer to Q6

d) What is the maximum length of time patients wait for a knee replacement revision
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 diagnosis?
The PCT adopted procedures of limited clinical priority via the CSU in 2011, which the CCG has since adopted, in which guidance was contained regarding total hip replacement and total knee replacement. This guidance has since been revised with the use of the Oxford hip and knee score having been removed.

Please refer to Q6

10. Have you amended your commissioning guidelines on commissioning of hip and knee replacements in the last 5 years?

11. Have you introduced any new policies on access to hip and knee replacement in the last 5 calendar years?

As Above

12. Are you considering any additional restrictions to hip and knee replacement- e.g. any discussions at board level?

This is not being considered.

13. What is your total spend on hip and knee replacements and hip and knee revisions:

a. In cash terms?

	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
Hip Replacement	<i>£3,912,851</i>	<i>£3,724,366</i>	<i>£3,385,150</i>
Hip Replacement Revision	<i>£391,193</i>	<i>£431,684</i>	<i>£578,892</i>
Knee Replacement	<i>£3,174,050</i>	<i>£3,995,707</i>	<i>£3,815,195</i>
Knee Replacement Revision	<i>£185,594</i>	<i>£194,449</i>	<i>£331,505</i>

b. as a percentage of total spend?

	2013	2014	2015
Hip Replacement	0.55%	0.50%	0.40%
Hip Replacement Revision	0.05%	0.06%	0.07%
Knee Replacement	0.44%	0.54%	0.45%
Knee Replacement Revision	0.03%	0.03%	0.04%

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

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NHS Liverpool CCG**