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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Cataract Surgery.

You asked:

1. *Does the Trust Sub-Contract any or all Cataract Surgery?*
2. *If Yes, who too?*
3. *What was the Trusts Cataract Surgery Average Waiting Time in May 2020?*
4. *What was the Trusts Cataract Surgery Average Waiting Time in May 2019?*
5. *What was the Trusts Cataract Surgery Average Patient Waiting Numbers in May 2020?*
6. *What was the Trusts Cataract Surgery Average Patient Waiting Numbers in May 2020?*
7. *If unable to provide at that level please state and provide information at Ophthalmology Specialty?*

Trust response:

1. No
2. Not applicable
3. 170 days as at 31st May 2020 *
4. 108 days as at 31st May 2019 *

*The waiting time is based upon the Referral to Treatment (RTT) incomplete pathways waiting for an inpatient cataract procedure as at month end.

The below figures relate to the Trust inpatient waiting list positions for ophthalmology as a whole and for those coded with a cataract procedure:

5. May 2020 – 1335 daycase patients waiting on the inpatient waiting list, based on the OPCS codes 961 patients are waiting for a cataract

6. May 2019 – 1591 daycase patients waiting on the inpatient waiting list, based on the OPCS codes 1174 patients are waiting for a cataract
7. Please see above.