

Date: **13 August 2020**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5802**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your following request for information:

**Your Request and Our Response (in Bold).**

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children:

- 2019 (if not available, 2018) surgical volumes of implantable heart assist devices (HVADs) (see attached excel file for detailed descriptions)

For each procedure also information on the volumes of the specific device implanted (brand/ manufacturer), as well as surgical volume of open/percutaneous approach (also specified in the excel file attached).

**Please see the attached excel spreadsheet “FOIRQ5802 Data HVAD Hospital”.**

Please also provide the number of beds of the hospital overall, and the number of healthcare professionals (HCPs) working in the relevant department/ clinic that is dealing with implanting HVADs (see excel file).

**Please note that there are no dedicated HVAD beds however the current breakdown of beds overall is as follows:**

<b>279</b>	<b>Overnight ward beds</b>
<b>80</b>	<b>Daycase / preadmission</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Mental Health</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>CRF</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Dialysis</b>
<b>48</b>	<b>Intensive care</b>

**In respect of the number of healthcare professionals (HCPs) working in the relevant department/ clinic that is dealing with implanting HVADs there is no specific HVAD clinic – the children attend the Heart Failure Clinic. They will see a Consultant, CNS and Associate Senior Nurse.**

**Team: The VAD team consists of a Lead Consultant Intensivist, surgeon, Transplant Consultant and Lead Nurse. A CNS, NS and associate Senior nurse (this team cares**

for all children on VAD's including HVAD).

**92 Intensive care nurses and 24 ward nurses are trained to look after patients supported with HVAD.**

**Please note**

The information we have provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date your request was received by the Trust.

We hope the information provided is sufficient and helpful in answering your questions, issues or concerns. Should you have any further queries in relation to this request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team and quote the above reference number on any related correspondence.

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Yours sincerely

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### **Your Rights**

Should you have any questions relating to the response you have received to your request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Alternatively, you are entitled to make a request for an internal review within two months from the date of receiving our final response to your original request. You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team  
Great Ormond Street Hospital  
LONDON  
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If, however, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review then you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner as the final stage of the FOI process. You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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