

Date: **16 March 2020**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5715**

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)**

**Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') does not centrally record the information in the format you have specified covering the period from calendar year 2014. However, we have carried out a search via our Information Services to collate the requested information.**

**Please note: Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy surgery was only available through private funding up to 30/06/2018; but then became NHS commissioned from 01/07/2018. The information we are providing groups 01/01/2014 – 30/06/2018 activity under Private Patient based on the following considerations:**

- **Inpatients only due to coding (each patient is counted once);**
- **Cerebral Palsy diagnosis codes - starting G8; and**
- **Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy procedure code - A572**

*I wonder if you would be able to help us find some statistics about current and past patients with cerebral palsy who have received (or are awaiting) (SDR) surgery at the trust*

**The current waiting list numbers for a Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy is 22 (as of 4 March 2020)**

*If possible, would you be able to provide the number of patients since 2014 that have received SDR at the trust, current waiting list numbers and (if possible) their referring NHS foundation trust?*

**Please see our response in the following table; but is necessary to withhold some of the information relating to low numbers by the referring organisation. Please see note below \*\***



**Great Ormond Street  
Hospital for Children**  
NHS Foundation Trust

Referring Organisation	Count
Self Funded - Pre July 2018	120
Self Funded - Post July 2018	7
GP Practice	5**
NORTHAMPTON GENERAL HOSPITAL NHS TRUST	5**
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL SOUTHAMPTON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
OXFORD UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
NORTH EAST LONDON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
EAST KENT HOSPITALS UNIVERSITY NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
ROYAL BERKSHIRE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
EPSOM AND ST HELIER UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS TRUST	5**
ESSEX PARTNERSHIP UNIVERSITY NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
SOUTHEND UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
Scottish Referral	5**
EAST SUFFOLK AND NORTH ESSEX NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
EAST AND NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE NHS TRUST	5**
BROMLEY HEALTHCARE	5**
CAMBRIDGESHIRE COMMUNITY SERVICES NHS TRUST	5**
FRIMLEY HEALTH NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
POOLE HOSPITAL NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HEALTHCARE NHS TRUST	5**
ROYAL FREE LONDON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
GUY'S AND ST THOMAS' NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
CENTRAL AND NORTH WEST LONDON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
SUSSEX COMMUNITY NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
SOUTH WARWICKSHIRE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
BARTS HEALTH NHS TRUST	5**
SURREY AND BORDERS PARTNERSHIP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
MID ESSEX HOSPITAL SERVICES NHS TRUST	5**
NORFOLK AND NORWICH UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST	5**
HOUNSLOW AND RICHMOND COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE NHS TRUST	5**
LONDON NORTH WEST UNIVERSITY HEALTHCARE NHS TRUST	5**

**Please note:** \*\* Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is unable to respond to information where there have been fewer than five data subjects (<5) by the referring organisation listed in the above table.

The Trust is withholding this information under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000 in order to reduce the risk of identifying an individual. The Trust is of the view that in providing this information would significantly increase the risk of third party individuals being identified. The Trust believes that Section 40(2) of the FOIA is applicable for withholding the information where disclosure could lead to individuals being identified that could contravene their rights under the Data Protection Act DPA) 2018.

The Trust also has a duty of confidentiality and holds the view that Section 41(1) of the FOIA where information has been provided in confidence is applicable for the reasons that the information was obtained by the Trust, which has necessary quality of confidence (being neither generally accessible nor trivial) and disclosure of this information to the public would give rise to an actionable breach of confidence under Section 41(1) of the FOIA. A breach of this expectation would have the effect of the information being processed unfairly regarding the personal data and confidentiality relating to third party information. Your request is therefore exempt under Section 40(2) and Section 40(1) of the FOIA.

**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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**[Enclosed – Your rights – see next page]**

### **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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