

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-266

Date 27 April 2017



Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

- 1. How many children's operations have been cancelled each month since 1st July 2016? Please give additional details as to what the main reasons for the cancellations were, how many were urgent operations or elective operations, and what type of illness did they involve, e.g. cancer, breathing problems, broken limbs etc.**

Please see attachment 1 showing the total number of cancelled operations by month. We have not provided a breakdown of urgent and elective surgeries as we do not hold this information.

- 2. How many children's operations have been cancelled over the last four financial years to date?**

Please see table below. Please note the information provided only covers surgeries which we cancelled on the day itself (last minute cancellation) or the day before the operation.

Financial Year	Total number of cancelled children's operations
2013/14	411
2014/15	361
2015/16	325
2016/17	271
2017/18 (YTD)	Data not yet available

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

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