

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 17-482**

Date 26 October 2017

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

- 1. In the last 3 years, how many cataract operations were performed at your NHS Trust?**

2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	Total
4800	4546	4624	13,970

- 2. Are toric intraocular lenses available for NHS patients with astigmatism undergoing cataract surgery at your NHS Trust?**

Yes

- 3. If yes to Qu2, please list the criteria under which toric intraocular lenses are available to patients, and please send us copies of any policy documentation.**

Please find the Trust's eligibility criteria for toric intraocular lenses below:

Indications:

Toric intraocular lenses should be considered when patients have a Delta K value on the IOL Master Biometry print out of ≥ 2.50 Dioptres and regular astigmatism on Pentacam imaging.

Contra-indications: > 80 years old

- Significant irregular astigmatism
- Significant dry eye disease
- Previous keratorefractive surgery
- Corneal disease including: Fuchs endothelial dystrophy, keratoconus, keratoectasia, Salzmanns nodular degeneration and Terriens marginal degeneration
- Pseudoexfoliation
- Small pupils
- Glaucoma
- Macular disease, including age related macular degeneration
- Previous vitrectomy
- Eyes with uncertain measurements
- Eyes unable to obtain IOL Master keratometry

4. If yes to Qu2, how many toric intraocular lenses were implanted at your NHS Trust in the last 12 months, for which data is available?

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5. How many corneal limbal relaxing incision operations were performed as part of cataract surgery at your NHS Trust in the last 12 months, for which data is available?

There were 7 corneal limbal relaxing incision operations performed as part of cataract surgery at this Trust during 2016/17.

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
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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

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Yours sincerely,

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