**FOI Ref: 6353**

**Category(ies): Clinical – Service Activity**

**Subject: Cataract Surgery**

**Date Received: 21/04/2022**

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| **Your request:** | **Our response:** |
| 1. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for Cataract surgery within your trust. | 496 patients on a cataract pathway. Not all have had an assessment yet or been graded as suitable for surgery |
| 1. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for cataract surgery between 18 weeks - 51 weeks within your trust. | 99 |
| 1. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for cataract surgery between 52 weeks - 103 weeks within your trust. | 1 |
| 1. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for cataract surgery over 104 weeks within your trust. | 0 |
| 1. Please answer yes or no. Are you currently using any sub-contractors to support with any backlog of Cataract patients within your trust? | No |
| 1. Please answer yes or no. Have you used, any sub-contractors to support with any backlog of Cataract patients within your trust? | No |
| 1. Please answer yes or no. Have you transferred any Cataract patients into the care of another provider? E.g.: IPT | No |
| 1. If yes to question 5, 6 or 7, please provide the name and location of the provider (s) you have used or are using. | Not Applicable – answered no to Q 5-7 |
| 1. If yes to question 5 or 6 please provide the total number of completed cataract surgeries, they have done for you in 2020/21 and 2021/22 (to date). | Not Applicable – answered no to Q 5-7 |
| 1. If yes to question 7, please provide total number of patients transferred, by provider. | Not Applicable – answered no to Q 5-7 |
| 1. If no to question 5 or 6, please provide a reason for not using other providers to support with any backlog within your Trust. | 100 over 18 week wait patients –  35 require general anaesthetic  Of the 65 who do not require GA –  3 are awaiting a pre op assessment as have not attended or cancelled their appointments several times  4 have postural problems which means they cannot lay flat and the surgeon has to operate on them while they are semi recumbent  4 are currently not fit for surgery due to general health problems  1 has only one eye  1 requires a scleral fixation lens  2 have myopic staphyloma and one a traumatic cataract – both conditions require specialist lenses  48 require one or more of the below :-  Intra cameral Phenylepherine  Vision Blue  Iris hooks  Astigmatic keratometry  Synechotomy  Healon GV  Several have significant general health problems and many have been referred to us from other providers who will not operate on patients with these ocular complexities or health issues |
| 1. Please confirm the total number of days a week you deliver cataract surgery within your Trust. | 5 |
| 1. Please confirm how many cataract patients you expect to see on each of the days you deliver cataract surgery within your Trust. | 12 patients per session in clinic, 6 per session in theatre with mixed comorbidities (7 slots) |
| 1. Please provide the name and contact details for the individual (s) accountable for contracting these services within your Trust. | \*Lynn Cocksedge – head of contracting  \*lynn.cocksedge@nhs.net |

\*The names of relevant individuals are detailed in the attached. The provision of these contact details does not imply consent for unsolicited correspondence on your part.  As per Section 122 of the Data Protection Act 2018, permission is not given to use these details for unsolicited contact.

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