

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_61_22

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, could I obtain the following information from the health board, please?

- 1. How many elective procedures (or admissions) that were due to be carried out by your NHS health board were instead carried out by a private provider in the financial years 2018-19, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-to date?**

Site	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	Total
Elective procedures carried out by a private provider	540	1161	793*	413	2907
Elective IP & DC Surg Procedures	35316	32455	8834	16300	92905
Percentage Outsourced	1.51%	3.45%	8.24%	2.47%	3.03%

* Please note that the figures for 2020/21 include services provided by Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee, who commissioned services on behalf of other health boards across Wales and not just for CTMUHB.

- 2. For the financial years stated above, what percentage of all elective procedures at your health board had to be instead carried out by a private provider?**

Please see response to question 1.

- 3. For the financial years stated above, what were the most common reasons for a procedure to be carried out by a private provider – even though it was initially scheduled to be carried out by the health board?**

Private providers are used in order to offer patients treatment in a more timely manner and supplement NHS capacity.