

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_100_23

You asked:

1. Please provide the name of all commissioned providers for Cataract surgery within your Health Board.

- Nuffield Healthcare
- St Joseph's Hospital
- Spa Medica Ltd

2. Please provide the name of all providers offering Cataract surgery within your Health Board who are delivering through non-contracted activity.

No non-contracted activity being carried out in the Health Board

3. Please provide details of the referral pathway (s) (by Health Board) for patients who are being referred for Cataract surgery. Please state if referrals are made to a provider directly, via the patients GP or other route of referral. (if other, please provide details)

- Direct referrals from community Optician to Health Board.
- Urgent and routine referrals are sent to the Secretaries by fax.
- All referrals triaged by Consultant.
- Referrals are sent in internal post to Medical Records for an appointment.
- Very urgent cases which are presented in casualty are triaged by the Nurse and Consultant, appointment booked over the telephone with Medical Records .
- Internal Consultant to Consultant referral, booked by secretaries and Medical Records.

4. Please confirm if your Health Board have commissioned and are using any Electronic Eyecare Referral Systems. If so, please confirm then name of the provider

- Royal Glamorgan Hospital (RGH) and Prince Charles Hospital (PCH) referrals are paper copy.
- Princess of Wales Hospital (POWH) use DMS to view referrals, after being scanned on by first appointment team in medical records.

5. Please confirm the details of how post operative care is delivered for Cataract patients within your Health Board. If different by place, please confirm for all.

- Follow up 6/52 after procedure with the community Optician.
- In rare cases where there has been a complication during surgery, patient will have a FUP in OPD with Consultant.

6. For the providers detailed in your response to questions 1 and 2. Please provide the total number of completed Cataract surgery for the periods 2021/22 and 2022/23 (to date) for your Health Board.

- Nuffield Healthcare – 329 (estimated figure)
- St Joseph's Hospital – 107 (2022/23 only)
- Spa Medica Ltd – 534 (2022/23 only)

7. For the providers detailed in your response to question 1. Please provide the current wait times for Cataract surgery.

- Nuffield Healthcare – up to 12 weeks
- St Joseph's Hospital – 1 to 2 weeks
- Spa Medica Ltd – 1 to 3 weeks

8. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for Cataract surgery within your ICS.

1050.

9. Please provide the total number of patients waiting 52+ weeks for Cataract surgery within your Health Board and of those how many have been waiting 104+ weeks

Patients waiting 52+ weeks.

- 885 @ stage 4 (Waiting for surgery)

Patients waiting 104+ weeks

- 194 @ stage 4 (Waiting surgery)

10. By provider detailed in question 1. Please confirm when the current contract that includes Cataract surgery is due to expire and if there is an option to extend services. If there is an option to extend, please advise on how long for.

- Nuffield Healthcare – 29th September 2023, no extension option.
- St Joseph's Hospital – 31st March 2023, no extension option.
- Spa Medica Ltd – 31st March 2023, no extension option.

11. Please confirm then name and contact details of the individual(s) who manages these contracts within your Health Board.

Spire and Nuffield contracts - Tarek Allouni – Acute Services General Manager – Tel: 01443 443443

St Joesph's / Spa Medica contracts - Sarah Edwards – Clinical Service Group Manager - Tel: 01656 752752

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12. Please confirm the Health Boards commissioning intentions on Cataract surgery for 2023/24.

Regional programme hosted by Vanguard theatres at Cardiff & Vale University Health Board.