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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_606_24

You asked:

Can I please request information for the following:

1. Spending on Ophthalmology Services in the Private Sector:

1.1. Could you provide a breakdown of the expenditure on ophthalmology services referred to the private sector over the past five years, categorized by Health Board?

The total value of invoices paid for outsourced ophthalmology is:

2020-21	£0
2021-22	£220K
2022-23	£364K
2023-24	£762K
2024-25	£0

1.2. What is the total number of individual cases referred to the private sector during this period?

Unfortunately, due to staff changes and different predecessor reporting systems within the Ophthalmology Service we are unable to provide the number of individual cases referred to the private sector prior to 2023-24.

2023-24 – 1196 patients

1.3. What is the average cost per case for these referrals?

Please refer to responses 1.1 and 1.2 above.

2. Referrals to Santa Maria Hospital:

2.1. What has been the total expenditure by Local Health Boards on patient referrals to Santa Maria Hospital over the past five years?

£0

2.2. What is the average cost per case for these referrals?

£0

2.3. How many cases are referred annually during this period?

0

3. Cross-Border A&E Costs:

3.1. What are the total costs incurred by the NHS in Wales for Welsh residents attending A&E services in England over the past five years?

We are not charged for our residents to access A&E in England.

3.2. What is the total number of cases annually for Welsh residents using A&E services in England?

We do not hold this data.

3.3. What is the average cost per patient for these cross-border services?

£0

3.4. Does this data account for instances where patients sought care in England due to extended wait times in Wales?

No, this only relates to CTM residents accessing A&E and not elective treatments.