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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_250_24

You asked:

I would like to make an application under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information: (please provide a breakdown from the last 5 years - 2019 - present, in calendar years not fiscal.)

1. How many operations have been carried out in your health board on patients who have returned from having cosmetic surgery abroad with complications (eg to correct work that has gone wrong/ to treat patients who have become infected etc)
2. How much has this cost the health board?
3. What is the longest amount of time a patient has been in hospital due to complications that have arisen from cosmetic surgery they have had abroad?
4. What is the highest number of patients you've had in your hospitals *at the same time/simultaneously* (due to complications that have arisen from cosmetic surgery abroad)?

Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board does not centrally record this information. The information you require would be recorded within an individual patient's health record as part of their ongoing care. To provide you with this information, would require a manual trawl and significantly exceed the 18 hours time and £450 cost limit set out within Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Whilst we do have 'complication of surgery' clinical codes (ICD 10), these would however be the same if the patient had the procedure in the UK.