

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_285_25

You asked:

Number of procedures (April 2024 – YTD)

- 1. The overall / total spend on cataract surgery procedures each financial year by individual year across your Health Board from 2018/19 to 2024/25.**

Year	In house - cost of FCEs £
2018-19	1,691,588
2019-20	6,644,896
2020-21	2,017,576
2021-22	4,839,283
2022-23	4,612,871
2023-24	1,539,669

- 2. The overall / total number of cataract surgery procedures undertaken each financial year by individual year across your Health Board from 2018/19 to 2024/25.**

Financial Year	Count of Procedures
2018/2019	1814
2019/2020	3045
2020/2021	789
2021/2022	1844
2022/2023	2072
2023/2024	2160
2024/2025	2018

Please note:

- Cwm Taf Morgannwg (CTM) University Health Board was established on 1 April 2019. Therefore, due to the timeframe requested, data prior to this relates to the previous Cwm Taf area and does not reflect the boundary change (Princess of Wales Hospital not included).
- Patient may belong to another Health Board area.
- Where data is reliant on clinical coding, there is a delay – therefore data may be incomplete.

- 3. The overall / total spend on cataract surgery procedures each financial year by year across your Health Board to each NHS Hospital and Private (Independent Sector) Provider from 2018/19 to 2024/25 broken down by individual NHS Hospital and Private Provider.**

Year	Outsourced - cost of FCEs £
2018-19	390,648
2019-20	591,668
2020-21	5,306
2021-22	183,854
2022-23	764,335
2023-24	23,382

Please specifically specify your answer to Question 3 for the following Private Providers:

- a) **Optical Express**
- b) **Optegra**
- c) **Spamedica**
- d) **Newmedica**
- e) **Anglia Community Eye Services (ACES)**
- f) **CHEC**
- g) **Spire Yale Hospital**
- h) **Nuffield Health Cardiff and Vale Hospital**
- i) **Spire Cardiff Hospital**
- j) **North Wales Eye Specialist Centre**
- k) **Werndale Hospital**
- l) **iLase Eye Clinic**

Providers used:

Nuffield
Spa medica
St Josephs
Sana (Clear view)

4. The overall / total number of cataract surgery procedures undertaken in each financial year by year across your Health Board by each NHS Hospital and Private (Independent Sector) Provider from 2018/19 to 2024/25 broken down by individual NHS Hospital and Private Provider.

FinancialYear	CaseHospital	Procedure Grouping	TotalProcedures
2022/2023	Princess of Wales Hospital	Cataracts	1682
2023/2024	Princess of Wales Hospital	Cataracts	1810
2024/2025	Princess of Wales Hospital	Cataracts	1492
2022/2023	Royal Glamorgan Hospital	Cataracts	1039
2023/2024	Royal Glamorgan Hospital	Cataracts	1067
2024/2025	Royal Glamorgan Hospital	Cataracts	1280

FinancialYear	Provider	Total OutSourced
2022/2023	NHS - C&V	137

2023/2024	NHS - C&V	2
2022/2023	Ophthalmology	460
2023/2024	Ophthalmology	152
2024/2025	Ophthalmology	466
2023/2024	Vanguard	1160
2024/2025	Vanguard	456

5. Please specifically specify your answer to Question 4 for the following Private Providers:

- a) **Optical Express**
- b) **Optegra**
- c) **Spamedica**
- d) **Newmedica**
- e) **Anglia Community Eye Services (ACES)**
- f) **CHEC**
- g) **Spire Yale Hospital**
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These sites have not been used for cataract outsourcing.

6. For the period 1st of April 2024 to YTD, please provide the names of all in NHS Hospital and Private (Independent Sector) Providers that have undertaken Cataract Surgery, YAG capsulotomy procedures, General Ophthalmology outpatient, Oculoplastic services, AMD services & Glaucoma services of any description to the Health Board.

Sana Health
SPA Medica
New Medica

7. Please provide the number of patients on waiting lists for cataract surgery at the Health Board as of:

- a) **1 January 2019**
- b) **1 January 2020**
- c) **1 January 2021**
- d) **1 January 2022**
- e) **1 January 2023**
- f) **1 January 2024**
- g) **1 January 2025**

Jan-19	Jan-20	Jan-21	Jan-22	Jan-23	Jan-24	Jan-25
491	623	1167	1757	2532	3000	3991

Please note that the Census Date used is the 31st December of the previous year. We report the waiting list position at the last day of every month.

8. Please provide the number and percentage of patients who were waiting longer than 18 weeks from the date of referral to cataract surgery as of:

- a) **1 January 2019**
- b) **1 January 2020**
- c) **1 January 2021**
- d) **1 January 2022**
- e) **1 January 2023**
- f) **1 January 2024**
- g) **1 January 2025**

	Jan-19	Jan-20	Jan-21	Jan-22	Jan-23	Jan-24	Jan-25
Total >= 18 Weeks	180	314	790	1152	1858	2092	3111
% > = 18 Weeks	57.04%	49.59%	32.30%	34.43%	26.61%	30.26%	22.04%

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9. Please provide the maximum and average wait times of patients on waiting lists for cataract surgery at the Health Board as of:

- a) **1 January 2019**
- b) **1 January 2020**
- c) **1 January 2021**
- d) **1 January 2022**
- e) **1 January 2023**
- f) **1 January 2024**
- g) **1 January 2025**

	Jan-19	Jan-20	Jan-21	Jan-22	Jan-23	Jan-24	Jan-25
Maximum Weeks Waiting	41	53	96	140	176	150	149
Average Weeks Waiting	14.91	18.76	35.65	34.32	46.3	38.97	50.26

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10. Please provide the number and percentage of NHS funded patients who had Immediate Sequential Bilateral Cataract Surgery at Hospitals and Private Providers (individually and collectively) within your Health Board in each of the following financial years:

- a) **2019/2020**
- b) **2020/2021**
- c) **2021/2022**
- d) **2022/2023**
- e) **2023/2024**
- f) **2024/2025**

For each year:

0 for Private providers.

<1% currently within NHS but working on increasing this number.

11. Please provide the minimum, maximum and average number of eyes treated on cataract surgery lists (by session, up to 4 hours) at Hospitals and Private Providers (individually by

provider) within your Health Board in each of the following financial years:

- g) 2019/2020**
- h) 2020/2021**
- i) 2021/2022**
- j) 2022/2023**
- k) 2023/2024**
- l) 2024/2025**

For each year:

Average is 5 – between 4 and 6 per list.