

FOI 3238

14th August 2025

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

1. The total amount spent each financial year from 1 April 2020 to the most recent available date on private sector providers to deliver medical procedures, treatments, or diagnostic services for NHS patients.

2. Please break this information down by:

a. Financial year (e.g., 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, etc.)

b. Type of procedure/treatment/service, where available (e.g., surgeries, diagnostic scans, mental health services, etc.)

c. Name of private provider/organisation, where available.

Response for Q1 & Q2a-c:

Financial Year	Spend
2020/21	£4,607k
2021/22	£7,467k
2022/23	£12,087k
2023/24	£11,143k
2024/25	£14,687k

The above spend was across the following providers who delivered the services noted:

Provider	Services provided
4ways	CT/MRI/Plain Film
352 Medical	Breast Insourcing, Diagnostics, Urology, General Surgery
Alliance	MRI, CT
Northwest	Orthopaedics
Kingsbridge	Endoscopy
UIC	Breast services
Hermitage	Orthopaedics & Urology
Orthoderm	Orthopaedics & Urology
RRO/Everlight	CT/MRI/Plain Film
Sports Surgery Clinic	Orthopaedics
Friends	Ultrasounds
NPC	Gynae
Musgrave	Orthopaedics

3. If possible, please also provide the number of patients or procedures covered by this spend each year.

Response:

This information is not recorded centrally and therefore retrieving would involve a manual trawl of invoices over a five year period. As such we cannot provide this as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. In order to obtain this information from individual invoices over a five year period would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit.

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