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Subject: Cancelled operations for non-clinical reasons

REQUEST

Under the Freedom of Information Act can I ask for the following information:

How many operations have been cancelled for non-clinical reasons IN THE 3 DAYS BEFORE a patient was due to be admitted?

Out of those cancellations, how many were rescheduled within 1 month?

How many operations have been cancelled for non-clinical reasons ON THE DAY a patient was due to be admitted?

Out of those cancellations, how many were rescheduled within the statutory time limit – eg 28 days?

Please provide this data by month for 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 - up to and including April 2017.

The following should be included in the figures for 'operations':

All planned or elective operations and day surgery

For 'non-clinical reasons' please include a break-down of the following:

- Bed-ward not available
- Staff unavailable
- Emergency operations taking priority
- Maintenance needed on equipment

- Patient unavailable
- Admin error

Can I have all this broken down year on year please? Ideally I'd not like to be pointed to a report, I'd prefer you just answer the questions above.

RESPONSE

Please note the numbers are for the reasons requested

Staff Unavailable is recorded as staff sickness

Maintenance needed on Equipment – is recorded as no/faulty equipment this is not necessarily due to maintenance

Patient Unavailable – do not record this reason

	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	2014 Total
Bed/Ward not Available	3	3	11	0	10	1	0	8	4	10	1	7	58
Staff Unavailable	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	5
Emergency Operations taking priority	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	9
Maintenance needed on Equipment	1	0	2	0	1	5	1	0	2	2	2	1	17
Patient unavailable													
Admin Error	2	1	1	4	1	6	1	2	3	0	0	4	25
Total	8	6	16	5	13	12	2	12	9	15	3	13	114
Scheduled within 28 days	8	6	16	5	13	12	2	12	9	15	3	13	114
	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	2015 Total
Bed/Ward not Available	14	2	4	2	1	0	0	0	3	8	10	8	52
Staff Unavailable	4	5	3	0	2	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	21
Emergency Operations taking priority	1	0	2	1	0	7	2	1	0	5	0	0	19
Maintenance needed on Equipment	1	0	3	0	1	4	1	1	5	0	1	1	18
Patient unavailable													
Admin Error	2	3	3	0	4	0	4	1	2	1	2	1	23
Total	22	10	15	3	8	11	7	3	15	15	14	10	133
Scheduled within 28 days	22	10	15	3	8	11	7	3	15	15	14	10	133
	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	2016 Total
Bed/Ward not Available	33	14	7	5	3	7	8	0	0	1	2	0	80
Staff Unavailable	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	11
Emergency Operations taking priority	3	3	2	6	5	5	7	1	1	6	0	2	41
Maintenance needed on Equipment	0	10	1	2	1	5	1	3	1	2	3	4	33
Patient unavailable													
Admin Error	1	1	2	2	0	1	2	1	3	1	3	2	19
Total	37	28	18	15	9	18	18	7	5	10	11	8	184
Scheduled within 28 days	37	28	15	15	9	18	18	7	5	10	11	8	181
	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	2017 to Date Total
Bed/Ward not Available	2	0	1	0									3
Staff Unavailable	1	2	2	2									7
Emergency Operations taking priority	4	1	0	5									10
Maintenance needed on Equipment	3	1	1	0									5
Patient unavailable													
Admin Error	4	6	1	3									14
Total	14	10	5	10									39
Scheduled within 28 days	14	10	5	10									39