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Subject: Cataract operations

## REQUEST & RESPONSE

1. In the last 3 years, how many cataract operations were performed at your NHS Trust?

**2014/15 Total 2068**

**2015/16 Total 1669**

**2016/17 Total 1837**

2. Are toric intraocular lenses available for NHS patients with astigmatism undergoing cataract surgery at your NHS Trust? yes
3. If yes to Qu2, please list the criteria under which toric intraocular lenses are available to patients, and please send us copies of any policy documentation.

**Preoperative astigmatism of 2.5 Dioptres or more in the steepest meridian**

4. If yes to Qu2, how many toric intraocular lenses were implanted at your NHS Trust in the last 12 months, for which data is available?

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5. How many corneal limbal relaxing incision operations were performed as part of cataract surgery at your NHS Trust in the last 12 months, for which data is available?

**In order to provide the information requested the Trust would be required to complete a manual search of patient records.**

**Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act St Helens & Knowsley Teaching Hospitals Trust does not have to comply with a request if we estimate that the cost of complying with your**

**request would exceed the appropriate limit of £450. The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2½ working days in answering the remainder of your questions. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing this portion of your request further.**