



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-651

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Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 9th February 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding S2 funding

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 I am writing to request the following information about the S2 funding agreement with the EU/EEA/Switzerland.

The UK-EU Withdrawal Agreement, UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement and UK-Swiss Social Security Coordination Convention continue to give patients in the UK access to the S2 scheme, if they meet the criteria, in the European Union and Switzerland.

The deal gives reciprocal rights to access planned treatment in the UK for eligible residents of EU member states and Switzerland.

Please provide the following information:

1. How many applications from UK patients for pre-planned treatment abroad have you approved in the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

A1 There was no applications in 2019-2021. Three Applications for treatment in the UK at UHNM from an EU country in 2022

Q2 For patients requesting approval through the scheme, please provide the most frequently requested treatment type for each year: 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

A2 Cardiorespiratory Sleep Studies

Q3 How many EU/EEA/Swiss patients have you approved for pre-planned treatment at your Trust under the S2 scheme in the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

A3 See below:
0 in 2019

0 in 2020
0 in 2021
3 in 2022

Q4 For EU/EEA/Swiss patients requesting treatment at your Trust under the scheme, please provide the most frequently requested treatment type for each year: 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

A4 Cardiorespiratory Sleep Studies

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.



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Yours,

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