

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

DATE RECEIVED	09/02/2022	SUBJECT	Private Healthcare		
PASSED TO	Public Health Finance Medical Director	DATE PASSED	09/02/2022	RESPOND BY	02/03/2022
CATEGORY	Private	FoI NUMBER	2022-060		

Question/s to be Answered

Under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 I would like to request the following:

1. The number of NHS patients sent to private hospitals by the health board for outpatient appointments and procedures in the last three years.

	2019	2020	2021
1. Number of patients sent to private hospitals	5	4	6
2. Department	Alcohol Detox, residential placements, IVF Treatment, Out	IVF Treatment	Alcohol Detox, residential placements, IVF Treatment
3. Costs	Alcohol Detox - £11,980 IVF Cycle Treatment £18,000	IVF Cycle Treatment £18,000	Alcohol Detox - £26,079 IVF Cycle Treatment £18,000

Please note the above information relates solely to activity that NHS has directly commissioned and paid the provider direct. As NHS Shetland only has a remote and rural district general hospital specialist activity is referred to other NHS Boards who may on occasion refer these patients to private hospitals and directly pay these providers. That activity will be included within their responses to you FOI request.

2. Could you please break this down by year and by department.

As above, please note all activity per departments is less than five

3. The number of NHS patients sent to private hospitals by the health board for operations/surgeries in the last three years.

As above

4. Could you please break this down by year and by department.

As above

5. All costs for the health board associated with sending NHS patients to private hospitals in the last three years.

£405,978

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6. Could you please break this down by year

2019/20	£156,681
2020/21	£116,678
2021/22	£132,619 (To Month 9, December 2021)