

17/02/2022

Dear Requester,

FOI 1099

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which was received within the Trust.
Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

1. For the calendar year of 2021, please could you tell me how many individual MRI examinations were performed overall?
37628
2. For the calendar year of 2021, please could you give a breakdown of the individual MRI examinations performed into body part/area? For instance, how many brain scans, spine scans etc. I am happy with whichever body part description is input in the PACS system.
Please see attached spreadsheet.
3. As of the start of 2022, what would the waiting time be (in weeks) for a routine MRI scan (for example how long would a patient have to wait if they were referred for a routine MRI scan of their knee)?
9 weeks
4. How much money was paid to private companies during the calendar year 2021 for the outsourcing of MRI either to mobile MRI units, private hospitals or private companies staffing hospital scanners to scan NHS patients?
£20970.00
5. From question 4 which companies were used and how many patients were scanned?
InHealth, 133 patients
6. How many MRI scanners does the Trust own?
Six scanners
7. From question 6 could I please have the manufacturer, model, and date of install of the MRI scanners?
Siemens Sola 1.5T Installed 2021
Siemens Aera 1.5T installed 2018
GE Signa Voyager 1.5T installed 2021
Philips Achieva 1.5 dStream installed 2018 (1 of 2)
Philips Achieva 1.5 dStream installed 2018 (2 of 2)
Philips Ingenia 1.5 installed 2018

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Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer

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