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Dear Requester,

**FOI 1322**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which was received within the Trust.  
Please note, this is an L&D response only – Bedford service if provided by Moorfields Eye Hospital.

You asked:

1. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for Cataract surgery within your trust.  
**672**
2. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for cataract surgery between 18 weeks - 51 weeks within your trust.  
**213**
3. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for cataract surgery between 52 weeks - 103 weeks within your trust.  
**10**
4. Please provide the total number of patients waiting for cataract surgery over 104 weeks within your trust.  
**0**
5. Please answer yes or no. Are you currently using any sub-contractors to support with any backlog of Cataract patients within your trust?  
**No**
6. Please answer yes or no. Have you used, any sub-contractors to support with any backlog of Cataract patients within your trust?  
**No**
7. Please answer yes or no. Have you transferred any Cataract patients into the care of another provider? E.g. IPT  
**Yes**
8. If yes to question 5, 6 or 7, please provide the name and location of the provider (s) you have used or are using.  
**Spa Medica**
9. If yes to question 5 or 6 please provide the total number of completed cataract surgeries they have done for you in 2020/21 and 2021/22 (to date).  
**N/A**
10. If yes to question 7, please provide total number of patients transferred, by provider.  
**50**

11. If no to question 5 and 6, please provide a reason for not using other providers to support with any backlog within your Trust.  
**Managing in-house**
12. Please confirm the total number of days a week you deliver cataract surgery within your Trust.  
**5**
13. Please confirm how many cataract patients you expect to see on each of the days you deliver cataract surgery within your Trust.  
**14**
14. Please provide the name and contact details for the individual (s) accountable for contracting these services within your Trust.  
**Section 40 (Personal Information)**

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Yours sincerely,

*FOI Officer*

Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust