

02/11/2022

Dear Requester,

**FOI 1326**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

***Topic 1: Users of prosthetic knees***

1. **How many prosthetic knees have been prescribed to patients in your trust in the last financial year?**

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| **2021-22** | 479 |

1. **How many prosthetic knees have been prescribed to patients in your trust in the four years preceding the last financial year?**
2. **Please categorise answers to I and II by age group e.g., ‘*number of prosthetic knees prescribed to 0-4 years olds is ‘x’ in the last financial year’***
   1. ***Suggested age ranges (in years old) are 0-4, 4-14, 14-18, 18+.***

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|  | **Age** | **Total** |
| 2020/21 | 18+ | 205 |
| 2019/20 | 18+ | 456 |
| 2018/19 | 18+ | 512 |
| 2017/18 | 18+ | 473 |

* 1. ***If age ranges suggested in IIIa are not possible, please categorise by those aged under 14 years old and those older than 14 years old.***
  2. ***If IIIb is not possible, please categorise by paediatric versus adult prosthetic knees.***

***Topic 2: Proxy measures to determine users of prosthetic knees***

1. **How many lower limb amputations have taken place in your trust in the last financial year?**

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| **2021-22** | 115 |

1. **How many lower limb amputations have taken place in your trust in the four years preceding the last financial year?**

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|  | **Age** | **Total** |
| 2020/21 | 14-17 | 1 |
| 18+ | 94 |
| 2019/20 | 0-4 | 1 |
| 18+ | 122 |
| 2018/19 | 0-4 | 1 |
| 18+ | 141 |
| 2017/18 | 5-14 | 1 |
| 18+ | 150 |

1. **Please categorise answers to I and II by age group e.g., ‘*number of lower limb amputations in 0-4 years olds is ‘x’ in the last financial year’***
   1. ***Suggested approach to age ranges given in ‘Topic 1: question III’.***
2. **Please categorise answers to I and II by level of amputation.** 
   1. ***Suggested levels of amputation are ‘transtibial’, ‘knee disarticulation’, ‘transfemoral’, ‘hip disarticulation’.***
   2. ***Please ensure that it is possible to determine level of amputation for any given age group within the response.***
3. **Please categorise answers to I and II by diagnosis leading to amputation.** 
   1. ***Suggested categories could be: traumatic, congenital, infection, etc.***
   2. ***Please ensure that it is possible to determine diagnosis leading to amputation for any given age group within the response.***

Please see attached.

***Topic 3: Revision surgeries***

1. **How many of those in your trust who have had a lower limb amputation return for revision surgery at any point, in the last financial year?**

Data not held in this level of detail.

1. **What is the duration between the first operation and the revision surgery?** 
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable***

N/A

***Topic 4: Prosthetic service engagement***

1. **How long does a patient who is prescribed a prosthetic keep their device, before a newer one is prescribed?**
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable.***

Variable dependent on patients ability, usage, weight changes, mobility changes.

1. **Please categorise answers to I by age group.** 
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable.***
   2. ***Suggested approach to age ranges given in ‘Topic 1: question III’.***

N/A

1. **What are the most common reasons for a new knee prosthetic being prescribed for each age group?**

Variable dependent on patients ability, usage, weight changes, mobility changes.

1. **How many knee prostheses does a child aged under 14 years old get prescribed in any one-year period, two-year period and five-year period.** 
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable.***

Prescriptions dependent on many factors not a yearly prescription allowance

1. **How many knee prostheses does an adult aged over 18 years old get prescribed in any one-year period, two-year period and five-year period.** 
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable.***

Prescriptions dependent on many factors not a yearly prescription allowance

1. **How many individual knee prostheses are children prescribed at any one time by your NHS trust?** 
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable.***

One

1. **How many individual knee prostheses are adults prescribed at any one time by your NHS trust?** 
   1. ***An average with justification and ranges is acceptable.***

One

***Topic 5: Prosthetic knee market data***

1. **What are the most commonly prescribed prosthetic knee brands and models in adults (those users aged >18 years old).** 
   1. ***A ranking of the top 5 is acceptable.***
   2. ***Please also provide number of units dispensed for each brand/model.***

Kenovo – 3 Units

Compact SAKL – 2 Units

Orion 3 – 2 Units

Rheo XC – 2 Units

C Leg 4 – 2 Units

1. **What are the most commonly prescribed prosthetic knee brands and models in children (those users aged under 14 years old).** 
   1. ***A ranking of the top 5 is acceptable.***
   2. ***Please also provide number of units dispensed for each brand/model.***

3R39 – 1 Unit

3R38 – 1 Unit

3R66 – 1 Unit

Total Knee Junior – 1 Unit

***Topic 6: Financial enquiries***

1. **How much did your trust spend on prosthetic knees in the last financial year?**

£596,574.93

1. **How much did your trust spend on prosthetic knees in the four years preceding the last financial year?**

£1,231,376.66

1. **Please categorise answers to I and II by age group e.g., ‘*Total spend on prosthetic knees prescribed to 0-4 years olds is ‘£x.xx in the last financial year’***

The system in use by our finance team does not hold the data in this detail

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Yours sincerely,

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