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Date: 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding cosmetic surgery.

On the same day we contacted you via email as we required clarification on what you meant by "correcting cosmetic procedures"

You replied via email with the following:

*"Any procedure or operation carried out to correct a previous cosmetic procedure."*

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 getting in touch to request information under the Freedom of Information Act.**

**Please can you tell me, for each of the last five calendar years, including this one to date, how much has been spent by your Trust on correcting cosmetic procedures?**

A1 As per your clarification this information not held, however we can supply the tariff for the procedures identified in answer 2.

**Q2 In addition, if possible, can you break down the type of operation or procedure, and specify where the original operation took place, either in the UK or abroad.**

A2 As per your clarification, At UHNM we can only identify patients as follows:

- Only include procedures that are excluded from the Excluded & Restricted Policy for Surgical procedures
- Match those above to any that had a re-admission within 30 days
- Clinical validation of each patient to see if the procedure was classed as cosmetic

Using the above criteria we have identified 11 procedures carried out, please see attached.

However regarding where the procedures were carried out and whether it was abroad or the UK we can only identify a procedure that was originally done at UHNM.

\*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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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.

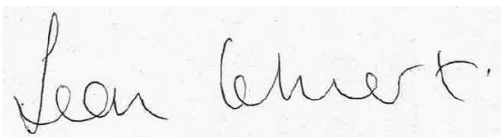
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



Jean Lehnert  
**Data, Security & Protection Manager**