

Freedom of Information request 016011 – MRI services

1/2/2022

1.For the calendar year of 2021, please could you tell me how many individual MRI examinations were performed overall? - 21053

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.

MRI Exams Performed 01/01/2021-31/12/2021

Abdomen	4856
Ankle	359
Arm	44
Bowels	21
Chest	938
Elbow	74
Feet	209
Forearm	11
Groin	6
Hand	47
Head	6061
Hips	1561
Knee	1869
Legs	702
Lower Legs	62
Neck	2699
Shoulder	1190
Veins	33
Whole Body	1
Wrist	310
TOTAL	21053

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)? - 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? - £413,580 to Cobalt Health

5. From question 4 which companies were used and how many patients were scanned? - Cobalt Health provided a mobile scanner and the staff to operate it – 2729 MRI scans were performed on the mobile during 2021

6. How many MRI scanners does the Trust own?

7. From question 6 could I please have the manufacturer, model, and date of install of the MRI scanners?

Question 6 & 7 - To see a previous response that will answer this please go to the Freedom of Information request disclosure log on the Trust's external website [Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust \(dgft.nhs.uk\)](#) and in the search box type in 015766