

Trust Headquarters
 Russell's Hall Hospital
 Dudley
 West Midlands
 DY1 2HQ

Ref: FOI-062024-000968

Date: 8.4.25

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please see response below.

1. Are surgical robots used in your trust?
 - Yes 2 surgical robots used by colorectal and urology and 1 by Trauma and Orthopaedics
2. Are you currently planning to purchase a surgical robot(s) in the next 18 months?
 - Not at present
3. Please list the manufacturer and model of all surgical robot(s) used in your trust? Please include duplicates if multiple surgical robots of same manufacturer/model.
 - Intuitive DaVinci Xi and Stryker MAKO
4. What date was the surgical robot(s) purchased?
 - DaVinci Xi – Purchased March 2023
 - MAKO – leased since October 2023
5. Are surgical robot simulators used in your trust? - Yes DaVinci Xi
6. Please list the manufacturer and model of all surgical robot simulator(s) used in your trust? Please include duplicates if multiple surgical robot simulators of same manufacturer/model.
 - DaVinci Xi
7. What date was the surgical robot simulator(s) purchased?
 - DaVinci Xi March 2023
8. How many procedures were carried out with use of a surgical robot each year from 2019 to present? Please provide a breakdown by speciality.

Data is from March 2023 (when machine was purchased) to December 2024.

Year/Month	General Surgery	Trauma & Orthopaedics	Urology	Grand Total
2023	27	2	55	84

March			6	6
April	4		7	11
May	4		8	12
June	1		6	7
July			1	1
August	2		5	7
September	4		6	10
October	5		4	9
November	3		8	11
December	4	2	4	10
2024	64	101	67	232
January	3	6	8	17
February	6	11	7	24
March	5	10	5	20
April	7	9	5	21
May	8	13	5	26
June	3	4	3	10
July	5	9	6	20
August	7	12	4	23
September	4	9	2	15
October	6	5	8	19
November	5	12	10	27
December	5	1	4	10
Grand Total	91	103	122	316

9. How many **emergency** procedures were carried out with use of a surgical robot each year from 2019 to present? Please provide a breakdown by speciality.

None – Robots not used for emergency surgery

10. How many consultant surgeons work within your trust, and how many of these perform robotic surgery? Please provide a breakdown by speciality. – Please see response below.

Specialty	Total number of consultant surgeons	Number of consultant surgeons performing robotic surgery
253 Medical Staff (ENT) Dept	5	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Max Fac) Dept	2	Information not held centrally

253 Medical Staff (MOC) Dept	12	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Obs & Gynae) Dept	16	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Orthodontics) Dept	1	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Plastics) Dept	7	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Surgery) Dept	16	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Urology) Dept	7	Information not held centrally
253 Medical Staff (Vascular) Dept	4	Information not held centrally

11. How much did the trust pay to purchase the surgical robot(s)? If multiple surgical robots, please specify price of each robot.

- Davinci Xi - £2M, MAKO is on lease

12. How much has been spent on consumables/disposables for the surgical robot(s) annually from 2019 to present? If multiple manufacturers, please provide a breakdown by manufacturer.

- spend from 2023 - £236,962

13. What is the total cost of maintenance for the robot(s) annually from 2019 to present? If multiple manufacturers, please provide a breakdown by manufacturer. –

- Annual servicing for Davinci Xi from 2023 - £181,000

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

Information Governance Manager
Trust Headquarters
Russell's Hall Hospital
Dudley
West Midlands
DY1 2HQ
Email: dgft.dpo@nhs.net

Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow

FOI/REF FOI-

Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113
www.ico.org.uk

If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team
The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust