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Date: 22nd December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 24th November 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. **The total amount spent by your Trust on medical treatment or corrective surgery for patients who experienced complications following cosmetic procedures undertaken abroad. Please provide this information for the most recent five financial years.**

The Trust is unable to provide this information as we cannot identify surgeries that were carried out to correct a cosmetic procedure which was performed abroad. Therefore, this information is not centrally recorded, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

2. **The data to be broken down by type of procedure, for example:**

- Cosmetic dental surgery
- Hair transplants
- Liposuction
- Injectable cosmetic treatments
- Other cosmetic procedures (please specify if applicable)

Please see the response to question 1.

3. **If a breakdown by procedure is not available, please provide the total annual expenditure on corrective treatment for complications arising from cosmetic surgery performed abroad.**

Please see the response to question 1.

4. Copies of any internal reports, briefing papers, or formal meeting minutes produced or received by the Trust in the past two years that discuss the impact on NHS services of patients requiring corrective treatment following complications from cosmetic procedures undertaken abroad.

None.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Hazel Hendriksen
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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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