

Ref FOI17 390
Date 11 December 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Please find below/attached the Isle of Wight NHS Trust's response to your request.

Data showing the outcome of breast cancer surgery in relation to: Survival rates for patients five years after surgery

Response - The Isle of Wight NHS Trust came into being in April 2012 therefore the earliest starting point for our data is April 2012 – this limits the information held to only eight months' data.

(1a) Can you tell me what the figure is?

Response - In 2012/13 this Trust recorded 221 breast operations on patients with breast malignancy. 188 of these were in the first eight months of 2012/13. Of those patients, 29 have since died – however, this is not a full-year figure. At the time of responding, only eight months of the fifth year have been completed. 188 operations with 29 deaths over same proportion of year = 85% survival rate. Please note that the deaths may have occurred for reasons unrelated to breast cancer - cause of death is not recorded. In addition, some of these patients may have had multiple breast surgeries. Also, some of these patients may have moved to a different area so it would not be possible to confirm whether they are living or deceased.

(1b) Do you have results for individual surgeons?

Response - In 2012 the Trust employed two surgeons who carried out this type of surgery. The Trust can confirm that data is held in relation to which surgeon undertook the surgery.

(2) Survival rates for patients ten years after surgery?

Response – The information is not yet held as this Trust only came into being in April 2012.

(2a) Can you tell me what the figure is?

Response – as Q2 above.

(2b) Do you have results for individual surgeons?

Response – as Q2 above.

Data showing the outcome of breast cancer surgery at your Trust in relation to:

(3) Local recurrence rates for patients five years after mastectomy and breast conserving surgery.

Response – This data is not available for reasons stated above.

(3a) Can you tell me what the figures are.

Response – as Q2 above.

(3b) Do you have figures for individual surgeons?

Response – as Q2 above.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust came into existence on 1st April 2012, and does not hold information prior to this date. For information which pre-dates this Trust, please contact the Department of Health.

Please note that this response does not constitute as consent for direct marketing.

A copy of this response will be published on the Trust website.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust serves a resident population of 140,000 with a substantial influx of tourists during the summer months. The Trust provides acute, ambulance, community, maternity, mental health services on the Isle of Wight. As the only fully integrated service provider in England with this unique range of services, comparisons with other service providers are not always straightforward.

This letter also confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request will be held on a database by the Trust. All hard copy correspondence relating to this request will be held for one year from the date of this letter, before being confidentially destroyed.

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Water Lane
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Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

Freedom of Information Team