

Freedom of Information Office  
Press and Communications  
Seventh Floor, Salton House  
St Mary's Hospital  
South Wharf Road  
London W2 1NY  
020 3312 5585  
[foi@imperial.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@imperial.nhs.uk)

27 August 2014

Our ref: FOI-414-2014

UK Trans Info  
[info@uktrans.info](mailto:info@uktrans.info)

Dear Requestor

**Information request:**

I have carefully reviewed your request and investigated whether there is any information disclosable to you. Please find below the information the Trust holds, which I am pleased to provide to you:

**INFORMATION TO BE RELEASED**

*We are currently working to improve transparency for the trans community with regards to their NHS healthcare. To aid us with this, please can you answer the following questions under the Freedom of Information Act.*

1) *How many genital reassignment surgeries (GRS) such as vaginoplasty were completed by you in June 2014? Please break down your answer by surgeon.*

**Nine. Undertaken by Phil Thomas, jointly with Tina Rashid**

2) *How many patients who have been referred for GRS had their first pre-operative assessment with you in June 2014? Please break down your answer by surgeon.*

**Eight. Seen in clinic by Mr Thomas and Tina Rashid jointly**

3) *Please provide a list stating the waiting time from referral to treatment for each patient who had GRS with you in June 2014. If you are unable to comply with this request due to patient confidentiality then please provide the average waiting time of those patients.*

**The average waiting time was 50.4 weeks.**

4) *How many new referrals for GRS did you receive in June 2014?*

**27**

5) *As of the end of June 2014, how many patients are waiting for gender reassignment surgery with you? Please break down your answer by patient gender and type of surgery, and also break your answer into the following categories:*

a) *Patients who have been approved for the operation and given a date;*

**There are 30 patients awaiting male to female treatment.**

b) *Patients who have been approved for the operation and are waiting for a date;*

**There are 53 patients awaiting male to female treatment.**



c) *Patients who have been put on hold as they are not yet fit for surgery (eg requiring weight loss, hair removal, etc);*

**Currently there are 30 patients on hold.**

d) *Patients who have not yet had their initial consultation with the consultant.*

**172 (of these 52 have been given a date for their appointment).**

e) *Any other patients (please explain)*

**No**

6) *How many patients who were waiting for GRS with you were transferred to another provider (such as Mr Bellringer at Parkside) in June 2014? Please break down your answer by provider.*

**10.**

7) *How many patients left your waiting list (at any stage from referral onwards) in June 2014 without having surgery? If possible, please break down your answer by reason.*

**None.**

8) *How many GRS operations are planned to take place with you between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014 and the end of the 2014/15 year? Please break down your answer by month. If you have not planned for the entire year yet then please provide planned figures for each month that has been planned.*

**July - 8**  
**August - 2**  
**September - 12**  
**October - 12**  
**November - 12**

---

I trust that this deals with your enquiry to your satisfaction, but if you feel that Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust has misunderstood or not responded appropriately to your request, you have two courses of action:

- You can clarify the terms of your original request to allow this to be looked at again (if you expand your request this will be dealt with as a new request)
- All applicants have the right of appeal. An appeal should be focused on the original request and should identify how the Trust's response failed to answer your Information Request. Appeals must be made in writing to the FOI Manager at the address above.

After the Trust's internal appeals procedure has been exhausted, a further appeal about the same information request can be directed to the Information Commissioner for adjudication. Appeals to the Information Commissioner should be sent for review to the following address:

The Information Commissioner,  
Wycliffe House, Water Lane,  
Wilmslow Cheshire  
SK9 5AF  
Telephone: 01625 545 700  
Facsimile: 01625 545510  
E-mail : [mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk)

Please contact me again, quoting your reference number, if you require any further assistance with your current request and I will do my best to provide the relevant help and advice.

Yours sincerely

**Nicholas Loizou**  
**FOI Manager** | Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust |  
**Email:** [nicholas.loizou@imperial.nhs.uk](mailto:nicholas.loizou@imperial.nhs.uk) |  
**Phone:** 020 3312 5585 |