

Freedom of Information Request – 4389

Please can I request the following information:

- 1. How many hernia mesh implant devices have been purchased in each of the following financial years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18?**

No information is available for years 2012/13 & 2013/14

*2014/15 - 609 units, 2015/16 - 567 units, 2016/17 - 693 units, 2017/18 - 789 units
2018 to date - 520 units*

- 2. Please provide the total annual cost of hernia mesh implant devices purchased for those same years requested in question one.**

No information is available for years 2012/13 & 2013/14

*2014/15 - £41,854.80 + vat, 2015/16 - £41,198.07 + vat, 2016/17 - £49,400.71 + vat
2017/18 - £56,059.68 + vat, 2018 to date - £37,296.24*

- 3. Please provide the different types of meshes purchased and the name of the manufacturer for those same years requested in question one.**

*Johnson & Johnson – Contour mesh (preformed mesh) (poliglecaprone 25) and
prolene polypropylene 10 cm x 15 cm.*

*Bard Ltd - Contour mesh (preformed mesh) 4.1 x 4.8cm Prefix plug monofilament
polyproplene latex free.*

Pierson Surgical – Prolite mesh 25.4cm x 35.5cm.

- 4. Please provide how many patients received which type of mesh in each year requested in question one.**

*Information not available, there is no OPCS code to specifically identify 'mesh
implants' the category description is 'insert of prosthetic material' which would include
mesh along with any other type of prosthetic materials.*

*Based on this, the codes for hernia repair with prosthetic material are T202, T212,
T222, T232, T242, T252, T262 and T272 a*

5. How many hernia operation were carried out in those same years requested in question one?

Year	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Grand Total
2012/13	44	57	36	64	51	67	54	68	45	41	31	75	633
2013/14	42	32	40	54	49	54	58	85	29	40	27	28	538
2014/15	51	64	56	54	60	46	59	43	26	16	30	61	566
2015/16	52	50	72	75	39	53	43	48	38	39	46	25	580
2016/17	46	56	44	49	32	45	44	40	39	29	52	63	539
2017/18	58	51	66	45	42	52	56	70	40	44	56	70	650
Grand Total	293	310	314	341	273	317	314	354	217	209	242	322	3506

6. How many follow up appointments with the implanting surgeon are standard practice for patients who have had a hernia operation, either as a day case or inpatient?

Average Appointments = 2.4