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Dear

RE: Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 10/07/2023. Please see responses to your requests below.

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from the NHS Trust.

1a) Divided by month, how long the waiting list is for getting a breast reconstruction after a mastectomy from January 2016 to July 2023 (or the most up-to-date data)?

Please see below table, this is our latest data per waiting list as of 25.07.23.

Types of Procedure	Total patients waiting	Longest wait (weeks)	Average wait (weeks)
Implant (where intended procedure code is B30.1)	5	17	10.2
LD flap (where intended procedure code is B29.1)	0	-	-
DIEP flap (where intended procedure code is B39.3)	101	95	52.7

1b) Please divide this information according to different types of breast reconstruction i.e. implant, LD flap, DIEP flap

Please see table in question 1a.

2) Divided by month, how many people are on the waiting list for breast reconstruction after a mastectomy from January 2016 to July 2023 (or the most up-to-date data)?

Please see table in question 1a.

3a) What date did the trust stop performing reconstructions at the same time as mastectomies during the pandemic?

March 2020.

3b) What date did the trust start offering reconstructions at the same time as mastectomies again?

June 2020.

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information, please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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