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Dear Requestor

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, received on 13 November 2025, regarding cardiac catheterisation procedures. The request has been processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Under section 1 of the FOIA, public authorities are required to confirm whether information is held and, where it is held, to provide it unless an exemption applies. In response to your request, it can be confirmed that NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) partially holds the information requested.

Certain specialised cardiology services are commissioned by NHS England under national service specifications, and the ICB, therefore, does not hold detailed operational, activity or future planning information for those services.

Please find the response to each question below.

1. Commissioned Services

Which NHS Trust(s) are commissioned to provide these services, and is there a limitation to the number of procedures they are allowed to perform? By way of services, I mean:

- Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI)
- Transcatheter Edge-to-Edge Repair for Mitral Valves (TEER).

The ICB commissions Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust as the local provider for specialised cardiology services, which are delivered via the Trent Cardiac Centre.

Information regarding any limitations on the number of procedures undertaken (including activity caps or contractual volumes) is not held by the ICB. These services are commissioned under national specialised service specifications.

2. Reimbursement and Activity

How are non-elective structural heart procedures (such as TAVI or TEER) reimbursed within your commissioning framework?

The ICB holds high-level information that these procedures are commissioned in line with national specialised service specifications and reimbursed via nationally determined tariff arrangements. The ICB does not hold detailed reimbursement or payment data.

Do you hold or collect any data on utilisation of these services (e.g. capacity, activity, waiting times, or referrals)?

No. The ICB does not hold data relating to capacity, activity levels, waiting times, referrals or performance for these specialised services. This information is held by NHS England Specialised Commissioning.

3. Future Planning

What are your current plans or priorities for future investment in structural heart services over the next three years?

By way of “plans” I mean those covering areas such as expansion of cath lab capacity, new commissioning arrangements, workforce planning, or service reconfiguration.

The ICB does not hold information relating to future investment plans, capacity expansion, workforce planning, commissioning arrangements or service reconfiguration for structural heart services. These matters fall within the remit of NHS England Specialised Commissioning.

NHS England Midlands Specialised Commissioning is responsible for commissioning and managing these services and may hold further relevant information. They can be contacted at: england.masc@nhs.net.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Director of Corporate Affairs via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to FOI Team at NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham NG5 6DA.

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FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern via <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information (FOI) Officer on behalf of NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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