

Reference:	FOI.2534.20
Subject:	Ophthalmic surgery
Date of Request:	17 February 2020

Requested and response:

Ophthalmology Laser Equipment

	Combined YAG/SLT	SLT	YAG	Laser Iridotomy	Photo-coagulation / Retinal	Other (floater treatments etc)
How many lasers do you have and which model?	1	1	4 LasereX LQP3106 Lightlas 532	YAG machine	1 x Argon Laser 1 x Topcon Pascal Synthesis	Not applicable
When were these devices installed?	2019	2015	Over 10 years ago	Not applicable	Between 10 years & 12 months ago	Not applicable
How many laser procedures are performed annually?	Approx. 535	4	Approx. 227	18	Approx. 201	Not applicable
Are these lasers under a service contract? When does it run out?	Yes. Expiry date unknown	2020	Yes. Expires July 2020	Not applicable	Yes. Expiry date unknown	Not applicable

Other

- Are you currently using an Argon laser?

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms it is currently using an argon Laser.

- How many procedures a year do you perform with this?

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with the information requested, as it is estimated that the cost of answering your request would exceed the "appropriate level" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. The "appropriate level" represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or (2 ½ working days) in determining whether the UHB holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

In order to provide you with all of the information being requested, the UHB would need to undertake a manual search of all patient records for the last 12 months to identify any information that fulfils your request.

Therefore, the UHB is therefore applying an exemption under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI), which provides an exemption from a public authority's obligation to comply with a request for information, where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit.

Ophthalmology Diagnostic Equipment

	OCT	Ophthalmic Ultrasound	Slit Lamps	Paediatric Retinal Imaging	Corneal Tomography (eg Pentacam)
How many devices do you have and which model?	3 x Topcon 2 x Zeiss Cirrus HD	1 x B Scan Quantel Medical compact touch 1 x B scan 5392 1 x IOL master 1202131	4: SL3C/ SL8Z 16 11 x 900 2 x SL980-5x 1 x CSO SL990-SX 1 x Ohira SL-203 2 x SL-15L 3 x SL-450 1 x SL-D301 1 x 9002188928 1 x 9002183872 1 x 700526	OCT	OCT
When were these devices installed?	Approx. 5 years ago	Between 2 years and 6 months ago	Between 1975 - 2019	Not applicable	Not applicable
When are these due to be replaced?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Oldest replacement in 2020	Not applicable	Not applicable
Is there a replacement budget allocated?	All equipment is risk assessed and forms part of Capital replacement scheme				
How many patients per year are imaged with this/ these device/s?	Approx. 4200	Approx. 44100	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Do you have a service contract? When does it expire?	June 2020	May 2020	July 2020	Not applicable	Not applicable

Ophthalmic Ultrasound

- Are these used for retinal – yes/no, anterior -yes/no, A-Scan – yes/no

Not applicable.

General Questions:

- Are all ophthalmic diagnostic devices networked?

The UHB confirms some diagnostic devices are networked, dependent on site.

- How are images from each device stored (locally per device or centrally in a database/ PACS solution)?

The UHB confirms the images are stored centrally.

- What software/ PACS (picture archiving and communication storage) are you using?

The UHB confirms its picture archiving and communication storage (PACS) is using a network server.

- Who is the lead contact within procurement that manages ophthalmology equipment (diagnostic)?

The UHB confirms the procurement lead contact for its ophthalmology equipment is Alun James, Senior Procurement Business Manager, NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP).