Reference:	FOI.12582.23
Subject:	Orthopaedic operations
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Requested:

- 1. How many NHS hip replacement operations have been undertaken across the Hywel Dda Health Board's entire estate in the last 5 years, broken down, year by year and, if possible, Hospital by Hospital?
- 2. How many NHS knee replacement operations have been undertaken across the Hywel Dda Health Board's entire estate in the last 5 years, broken down, year by year and, if possible, Hospital by Hospital.
- 3. How many Holep operations have been undertaken across the Hywel Dda Health Board's entire estate in the last 5 years, broken down, year by year and, if possible, Hospital by Hospital.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides, within the table overleaf, the number of hip replacement surgeries undertaken, by hospital, during the 2018 to 2022 calendar years and from 1 January to 31 August 2023.

Hospital	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Bronglais General Hospital (BGH)	77	130	62	97	124	61
Glangwili General Hospital (GGH)	36	35	31	49	43	31
Prince Philip Hospital (PPH)	321	279	41	43	85	91
Withybush General Hospital (WGH)	170	187	53	40	37	16

2. The (UHB) provides, within the table below, the number of knee replacement surgeries undertaken, by hospital, during the 2018 to 2022 calendar years and from 1 January to 31 August 2023.

Hospital	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
BGH	56	99	33	47	92	59
GGH	*	*	*	*	*	*
PPH	314	335	55	12	73	97
WGH	136	192	30	9	*	0

3. The (UHB) provides, within the table below, the number of Holmium Laser Enucleation of the Prostate (HoLEP) surgeries undertaken, by hospital, during the 2018 to 2022 calendar years and from 1 January to 31 August 2023.

Hospital	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
GGH	12	15	6	*	*	0
PPH	0	*	0	0	*	*

Where the figures in the tables have been replaced with an asterisk (*), the UHB is unable to provide you with the exact number of cases, due to the low numbers of cases (less than 5), as there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. The UHB is therefore withholding this

detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA)/UK General Data Protection Regulations, as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles and articles of the UK GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

In reaching this decision, the DPA and UK GDPR define personal data as data that relates to a living individual who can be identified solely from that data or from that data and other information, which is in the possession of the data controller.