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Subject:	Orthopaedic surgery
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Requested:

1. How many patients received orthopaedic surgery by the private sector/independent sector providers in the following years:

Financial year 2019/2020
 Financial year 2020/2021
 Financial year 2021/2022

2. How much did the Health Board pay these private sectors/independent sector providers for these orthopaedic surgeries in the following years:

Financial year 2019/2020
 Financial year 2020/2021
 Financial year 2021/2022

If it's also possible to provide information on where these surgeries were i.e. within the health board locality / Wales / England that would be useful for my own understanding.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) regrets to inform you that it does not hold the information requested, as its Welsh Patient Administration System (WPAS) only records activity undertaken on UHB hospital sites.
2. The UHB provides within the table below, the expenditure on non-NHS providers, for orthopaedic surgeries, in the 2019/2020, 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 financial years.

Financial year	Non-NHS provider	Expenditure
2019/20	BMI Healthcare Ltd	£1,532,950.00
	St Joseph's Independent Hospital Ltd	£343,170.00
2020/21	BMI Healthcare Ltd	£3,700.00
	St Joseph's Independent Hospital Ltd	£0.00
2021/22	BMI Healthcare Ltd	£1,006,764.00
	St Joseph's Independent Hospital Ltd	£280,494.00

Invoices received by BMI Healthcare Ltd were for surgeries undertaken in Werndale Hospital, Bancyfelin, Carmarthen, which is within the UHB's locality. The invoices received from St Joseph's Independent Hospital Ltd were for surgeries undertaken in St Joseph's Private Hospital, Harding Avenue, Newport, which is not in the UHB's locality, although it is within Wales.