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Subject: Cancelled operations

Q 1 In relation to the 2014/15 financial year please provide me with a complete and detailed list showing me the reasons you have recorded for all the last-minute cancellations of elective surgery for non-clinical reasons.

A 1 Last minute non-clinical Canceled Operations

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Admin Error					1								1
Bed Shortage CCA	4		1				2	3	6	3	6		25
Bed Shortage Ward		1							1	1	5	1	9
Emergency Took Priority	1	4	1	1	2	5	4		3	1	2	1	25
Equipment Failure/Unavailable		1	1	4		3			1	1			11
List Overrun		1	1	2	2	4	4	7	1	4	1	2	29
Other						1	2	1			1		5
Staff Shortage CCA		1			3	1	1	3					9
Staff Shortage Ward				2		1						1	4
Surgeon Unavailable								1				7	8
	5	8	4	9	8	15	13	15	12	10	15	12	126

Q 2 How many patients who died in 2014/15 while on a waiting list for elective surgery had previously during the 2014/15 year had that operation cancelled at the last minute (i) once, (ii) twice, (iii) three times, (iv) four times, (v) five times or more.

A 2 None of the patients in Q1 died while waiting

Q 3 In relation to Q2 for the patient who died and had the operation cancelled the most times please state the broad nature of the surgery they had been waiting for?

A 3 Information not held – not applicable