

**Reference Number:** FOI/2020/242  
**From:** Commercial  
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**Subject:** Patients Requesting Second Opinions

- Q1 How many patients asked their GP or consultant to be referred to another professional for an existing course of treatment in the following time periods?
- Q2 In how many cases was the request rejected in the following time periods?
- Q3 In how many cases did the treatment recommendation change because of the patient requesting a referral or second opinion in the following periods?
- A1 - Information not held – the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally  
A3 as part of its management or performance data. In order to ascertain the data the Trust would be required to access personal data of the individuals and as such the data is exempt under Section 40: Personal data.