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I am responding to your request for information received 18 October 2023. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:

- Question 1: Please can you let me know how many patients you had on your waiting list for at least one knee replacement on 1st October 2023.
- Question 2: Please could you also let me know how many of these patients had been waiting more than a year for a knee replacement?
- Question 3: Please could you let me know many NHS knee replacement patients have been transferred to a private medical hospital to have their procedure carried out in the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 thus far.
- Answer: The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and

(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide knee replacement services as described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

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