

## BMA Strikes

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

The number of cancelled, delayed or missed appointments at your Trust as a result of British Medical Association strikes w/c 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> April, broken down by

1. Type of appointment, e.g. checkup, treatment, surgery
2. Type of care the appointment/surgery was required for, e.g. cancer – please specify which department too

Please find attached Trust response.

Please note the following:

### **Section 40 (2) - Less than five - <5 when indicated**

In accordance with Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are unable to provide figures where the number of patients/staff is less than or equal to five and could risk the identification of those patients/staff and breach Caldicott principles. In these cases  $\leq 5$  is used to indicate that a figure between 1 and 5 is being suppressed.

These figures are withheld under Section 40(2) due to low patient numbers. The disclosure of which could risk the identification of those patients and breach Caldicott principles.

This follows NHS Digital (formerly HSCIC) analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

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Inpatients & Day Case

COLORECTAL SURGERY	GENERAL SURGERY	GYNAECOLOGY	OPHTHALMOLOGY	TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS	UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY	UROLOGY	VASCULAR SURGERY
8	6	16	4	23	13	<5	<5

**Please Note:**

There are other cancellation reasons given during the period such as 'staff shortage' which may or may not in-fact be connected to the strike, but not coded as specifically due to industrial action

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OP data East and North

Type of appointment	Grand Total
ANTENATAL	64
ANTENATAL SCAN /VARIOUS	72
ANTENATAL ULTRASOUND	16
AUDIOLOGY	41
BLOOD TEST	8
CARDIAC REHABILITATION	16
CARDIAC PROCEDURE/TEST	35
CARDIAC REHABILITATION	5
Clinical test	11
Dementia appointment	6
DIAGNOSTIC TEST	17
FIRST APPOINTMENT	523
FOLLOW UP APPOINTMENT	2157
FRACTURE CLINIC	31
FUNCTION TEST	25
INFUSION	<5
NEUROLOGY REHABILITATION	8
NEW TELEPHONE APPOINTMENT	28
NEW VIDEO APPOINTMENT	5
OPHTH FIRST APPOINTMENT	19
OPHTHALMOLOGY REVIEW	56
OVERNIGHT Testing	<5
PODIATRY	<5
POSTNATAL	10
SLEEP STUDY	<5
SURGERY PREOP	21
Telephone appointment	9
TISSUE VIABILITY	<5
URGENT APPOINTMENT	55
UROLOGY TEST	11