

## Ophthalmology Machines & Contracts

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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).

*I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would be interested in any information held by your organisation regarding my request.*

1. *When is the current contract for IOLs (Intraocular lenses) in Ophthalmology up for renewal? Please provide contract end date and extension options.*

Answer: Contract end date 31/07/2026, 12 months extension option.

2. *When is your Phaco machinery (for cataracts) contract up for renewal? Please provide contract end date and extension options.*

Answer: Northern Services renewal date is 3/8/2024. Eastern Services: 1) Service Contract 06/08/2024 and 2) 31/07/2026 plus 12months extension option.

3. *When is your VR machinery (for vitreoretinal) contract up for renewal? Please provide contract end date and extension options.*

Answer: Eastern Services: Combined with x1 Phaco contract. Not applicable for Northern Services.

4. *What is your current Route to Market for IOLs, Phaco and VR?*

Answer: Northern Services: Supply Chain Framework. Eastern Services: currently being explored, no decision made.

5. *When does your procurement department plan to actively start in pretender engagement for IOLs, Phaco and VR? Please include the date.*

Answer: 3 to 5 months prior to contract expiry dates.

6. *Who is your current IOL provider and what brand of IOL you currently use?*

Answer: Northern Services: Zeiss IOL MASTER 700. Eastern Services: J&J.

7. *Who is your current Phaco machine provider?*

Answer: Bausch +Lomb.

8. *Who is your current VR machine provider?*

Answer: Eastern Services: Bausch+Lomb. Northern Services: Not applicable as the machine does not have VR capability.

9. *How many Phaco machines do you have and what are the age of these machines?*

Answer: Northern Services have 1x Phaco machine that is 9 years old.  
Eastern Services have 5x machines that are 5 or more years old, and 2x machines are 2 years old.

10. *How many VR machines do you have and what are the age of these machines?*

Answer: Eastern Services have 2x machines combined with Phaco (reported in question 9). Not applicable for Northern Services as the Phaco machine does not have VR capability.

11. *How many YAG lasers linked PCO (Posterior capsule Opacification) after cataracts have you undertaken between: 2021-2022 2022-2023 Calendar Year*

Answer: Please see table below representing Royal Devon Eastern and Northern Services.

Year	Activity
2021	1,127
2022	886
2023	731

12. *Do you have any subcontracting arrangements for Cataract Surgery with the independent sector within this financial year, if so please provide details including volumes?*

Answer: No.

13. *Who is the procurement lead or lead Trust for Ophthalmology on behalf of your ICS,*

Answer: The Trust's Procurement Lead is John Malloch.

14. *What plans do you have for Ophthalmology?*

Answer: The Freedom of Information Act allows the public to ask for copies of information held. This information is not held in documentation within the Trust; therefore we are unable to release information in response to this question.