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Dear

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on 6 February 2015, relating to IFR.

I can confirm that Gloucestershire CCG does hold the following information:

1. How many Individual Funding Requests were made in a) 2012/13 b) 2013/14 c) the first two financial quarters of 2014/15

	a) 2012/13	b) 2013/14	c) 2014/15
Requests made		776	671 including prior approvals

2. Of the request made, how many were made for cataract procedures in a) 2012/13 b) 2013/14 c) the first two financial quarters of 2014/15

	a) 2012/13	b) 2013/14	c) 2014/15
Requests made		13	14

3. Of the funding requests made please state what the five most commonly requested treatments were in a) 2012/13 b) 2013/14 c) the first two financial quarters of 2014/15

Requests Made	a) 2012/13	b) 2013/14	c) 2014/15
First		Cosmetic procedures including aesthetic surgery e.g. removal of non-malignant lesion	viscosupplementation
Second		Breast surgery eg augmentation, reduction, asymmetry	Cosmetic procedures including aesthetic surgery e.g. removal of non-malignant lesion
Third		Removal of ganglion-	Carpal tunnel
Fourth		viscosupplementation	epidural
Fifth		Varicose veins	Breast surgery eg augmentation, reduction, asymmetry

4. How many Individual Funding Requests (of the overall number of requests) were approved and not in a) 2012/13 b) 2013/14 c) the first two financial quarters of 2014/15

	d) 2012/13	e) 2013/14	f) 2014/15
Approved		453	476
Not approved		323	85

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Yours sincerely



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