FOI REF: 23/540



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I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

1) How many cancer appointments have been cancelled at your trust due to industrial action since 1st December 2022?

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust have 489 outpatient appointment cancellations, for the period 1st December 2022 to 31st August 2023.

2) Which type of cancer had the most cancelled appointments and how many was that?

Suspected urological cancers (excluding testicular cancer) had the most cancelled appointments of which 206 were outpatient appointment cancellations.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (<u>esh-tr.foi@nhs.net</u>), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

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Yours sincerely

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