

The following statistics were released today by NHS England:

NHS cancelled elective operations, quarter ending 31st March 2018

The key points from the latest release are:

- During the quarter ending 31st March 2018, 25,475 operations were cancelled at the last minute for non-clinical reasons by NHS providers. In the same period in 2016/17, there were 21,219 cancelled operations.
- Cancelled operations during the quarter represented 1.3% of all elective activity, which is higher than the corresponding percentage in the same period in 2016/17 (1.1%).
- Of these cancellations 2,948 (11.6%) of patients were not treated within 28 days of a cancellation. In the same period in 2016/17, 1,663 (7.8%) of patients were not treated within 28 days.
- Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust did not submit any data for Q4 2017-18.

Full tables are available here:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/cancelled-elective-operations/cancelled-ops-data/>

Additional Information

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