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Primary Bariatric Surgery Operations and Tier 3 and Tier 4 Weight Management Services

I am sending this request under the Freedom of Information Act to ask for the following information:

- 1a. **The number of primary bariatric surgery operations* performed by financial year, from 2017/18 to 2021/22 (**including operations in private hospitals where these were used to provide additional capacity for the NHS*)**
- 1b. **The mean average wait from admission to Tier 4 services to surgery, by financial year, from 2017/18 to 2021/22.**
2. **How many patients are on your bariatric surgery RTT (referral to treatment) waiting list at present and at the end of each financial year from 2017/18 to 2021/22?**
- 3a. **The number of people enrolled within your Tier 3 weight management services:**
 - at present,
 - and at the end of each financial year from 2017/18 to 2021/22.
- 3b. **The number of people enrolled within your Tier 4 services:**
 - at present,
 - and at the end of each financial year from 2017/18 to 2021/22.

Bariatric surgery is not commissioned or delivered in Northern Ireland and, therefore, Belfast Trust is unable to answer.

As there is no Tier 3 or Tier 4 service provided, our Allied Health Professions are also unable to answer this.