

Reference: FOI.ICB-2526/272

Subject: Cardiac Catheterisation Procedures

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>1. Commissioned Services</p> <p>Which NHS Trust(s) are commissioned to provide these services, and is there a limitation to the number of procedures they are allowed to perform? By way of services, I mean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI) - Transcatheter Edge-to-Edge Repair for Mitral Valves (TEER) 	<p>University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust (UHBW).</p> <p>There are no restrictions on the number of procedures permitted.</p>
<p>2. Reimbursement and Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. How are non-elective structural heart procedures (such as TAVI or TEER) reimbursed within your commissioning framework? b. Do you hold or collect any data on utilisation of these services (e.g. capacity, activity, waiting times, or referrals)? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. TEER forms part of the fixed payment for Non-Elective services b. The ICB holds activity data. Elective activity forms part of waiting list and referral data, but is not held at procedural level.

<p>3. Future Planning</p> <p>What are your current plans or priorities for future investment in structural heart services over the next three years?</p> <p>By way of “plans” I mean those covering areas such as expansion of cath lab capacity, new commissioning arrangements, workforce planning, or service reconfiguration.</p>	<p>The System is currently undertaking operational planning for 2026/27 and beyond. Workforce planning is built into operational planning process as standard.</p> <p>Commissioning arrangements for these aforementioned services are unchanged.</p> <p>Note: the overarching approach to commissioning for ICBs has been described in the recently published Strategic Commissioning Framework – available here NHS England » Strategic commissioning framework</p> <p>The ambition and vision for BNSSG Cardiology services are described in the Joint Clinical Strategy – see Section 7 Joint Clinical Strategy 2024 - 2027.pdf</p>
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The information provided in this response is accurate as of 9 December 2025 and has been approved for release by David Jarrett, Chief Delivery Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.