NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 30 April 2019.

Extract from Request

- “In the periods from 1 December 2017 to 14 January 2018, and 1 December 2018 to 14 January 2019, how many elective operations were a) cancelled and b) rescheduled?
- Of those operations rescheduled, how many were rescheduled i) once, ii) twice and iii) three or more times?”

Response

- Please see below the number of elective operations which were a) cancelled and b) rescheduled within the given dates.

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<td>01/12/2018 - 14/01/2019</td>
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Notes:
The above are all cancelled operations under the 2 x NCEPOD categories used by NHS Tayside to denote elective cases. These are G (Urgent/Elec < 4 Wks) and H (Elective < 12 Wks).
All theatres and all specialties across NHS Tayside were included.
All cancellations, regardless of reason were included (e.g. in both years the patient not attending was the main reason for cancellation).
There is a limitation on what we can report as a cancellation. Our recording system only records cancellations from each day’s Final Theatre List. Cancellations with a period of notice will NOT be included as the slot they were booked into will be allocated to another patient.

- Not applicable. Due to the standard procedures adopted within NHS Tayside in the use of our recording system, we are unable to identify whether or not each cancelled procedure has been rescheduled, nor any further rescheduling that may have been carried out.


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Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commission.

A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and addressed to:

Tayside NHS Board Secretary
Tayside NHS Board Headquarters
Ninewells Hospital & Medical School
Dundee
DD1 9SY

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
Fife
KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: [www.itstpublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itstpublicknowledge.info/Appeal)

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21 May 2019