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The following information was requested on 18 November 2022:

Could you please provide me with content descriptions and filenames of the datasets (and any analyses) provided to GIRFT in relation to (a) cranial neurosurgery and (b) spinal surgery since inception of the GIRFT programme?

Please note that I am not requesting the data themselves, which I understand are provided to GIRFT under the approval process administered by the CAG, but summary-level descriptions of their contents and purpose.

Our Response

We provide two data files to GIRFT:

- 1) Last 10 years of notified claims as at the financial year end
- 2) Last 10 years of notified claims as at the end of each financial year

Both include clinical claims plus a small number of non-clinical claims around assault and fatalities. The data fields provided include the following items listed below and do not include any other information from an individual claim:

- Trust
- Scheme
- Age at incident
- Gender
- Specialty
- Injury
- Cause
- Location
- Incident date
- Notification date
- Outcome
- Incident description
- Damages paid
- NHS Legal costs paid
- Claimant costs paid
- Damages outstanding
- NHS Legal costs outstanding

- Claimant costs outstanding
- Damages total
- NHS Legal costs total
- Claimant costs total

Please refer to NHS Resolution website for information about claims data and definitions we use: [Understanding NHS Resolution data - NHS Resolution](#), and for NHS Resolution learning codes: [CNST-Codes.xlsx \(live.com\)](#) against which claims are logged (please note the three tabs in the spreadsheet).

This concludes our response to your request.

If you are not satisfied with the service that you have received in response to your information request, it is open to you to make a complaint and request a formal review of our decisions. If you choose to do this, you should write to [Tinku Mitra](#), Deputy Director of Corporate and Information Governance for NHS Resolution, within 28 days of your receipt of this reply. Reviews of decisions made in relation to information requests are carried out by a person who was not involved in the original decision-making about the request.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a review of the decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner will not make a decision unless you have exhausted the local complaints procedure. The address of the Information Commissioner's Office is:

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