

House of Commons

Written answer
9 November 2021

NHS: Negligence

John Redwood:

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To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much he has spent on NHS negligence claims over the last 12 months.

Maria Caulfield:

NHS Resolution (NHSR) manages clinical negligence and other claims against the NHS in England. NHSR has provided the following information:

The total cost of clinical negligence claims in the financial year 2020/21 was £2,209.3 million.

The table below shows the breakdown of these costs:

COST	£ MILLION
Damages Paid to Claimants	£1609.8m
Claimant Legal Costs	£448.1m
NHS Legal Costs	£151.4m
TOTAL	£2209.3m

Note: the latest figures available from NHS Resolution relate to the 2020/21 financial year.

Health and Social Care Committee
Oral evidence: NHS litigation reform
Tuesday 16 November 2021

Chair (Jeremy Hunt): Good morning. Welcome to the first session of the Health and Social Care Select Committee inquiry into NHS litigation reform. Last year, the NHS spent a staggering £10 billion on compensation claims and legal costs related to clinical negligence claims...