

LYME DISEASE ON THE NHS

CAUDWELL LYME DISEASE CHARITY

PATIENT SURVEY RESULTS 2016

Q12: OPERATIONS

HAVE YOU HAD ANY OPERATIONS IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS?

255 PEOPLE RESPONDED TO THIS QUESTION

1. Colonoscopy
2. Tooth crown
3. No.
4. No
5. no
6. Yes I've had a total of 28 surgical procedures since 2006.. Cancer 5 sites recurring, joint issues not RA or osteo!, bladder surgery, appendectomy, hernias, many more now waiting for gallbladder surgery have gallbladder disease and another bowel surgery.
7. Cavitation surgery
8. Laparoscopy
9. Not this last year. Dr's & surgeons have refused to operate as I am too sick.
10. Yes. I had an operation in October to move a large lump from my breast. It was benign. Consultant said the type of lump wasn't that uncommon, but its rate of growth was, so he felt it needed to be removed. I elected for local anaesthetic rather than the general that I should have had, as I was worried about stressing my neurological system and brain.
11. No
12. I had cyst removed from my breast.
13. No
14. 1 appendix
15. N/A
16. No
17. Gallbladder removal
18. Exploration laparoscopy
19. Endoscopy
20. Colonoscopy
21. No
22. dental procedures for removal of persistent infection
23. None
24. No.
25. no
26. None
27. No
28. Fine needle aspiration of thyroid cyst

29. not in the last 12mths but over the years of this illness I have had 2 feet ops-did not work had to have boots and insoles made at appliance dept and podiatry treatment every 8wks-told I need new knees but surgeon reluctant to operate due to Lyme-had bladder operation -now got rotor cuff injury to left shoulder
30. Awaiting an investigation in two weeks for Endometriosis
31. Apart from
32. Having loads of camera in any hole possible I have not had a operation in such .
33. Only an endoscopy.
34. No
35. none
36. No
37. Two knee operations and two jaw operations to clean up Lyme damaged joints, as well as root canal treatment.
38. None.
39. No
40. None
41. 2 (two) tonsillectomies
42. No
43. None
44. I was due to have my wisdom teeth removed but cancelled appt due worried about lyme.
45. 1 tooth extraction
46. no
47. None
48. 3 extractions constant dental pain
49. NO
50. Half thyroid removed
51. Half thyroid removed
52. No
53. Blocked salivary gland in mouth
54. No
55. No
56. No
57. None
58. No
59. No
60. yes i had 5 cysts removed rom my scalp, while i was awake,
61. None
62. None
63. Cyst removal
64. Yea lots of teeth extracted and my gall bladder
65. I have had tooth extraction due to continual abscess, prior to knowing Lyme. Post Lyme I have started having amalgam fillings removed
66. Yes, a port catheter put in my chest for IV ozone therapy
67. No
68. Several last year
69. Biopsy of rash(not typical bullseye)and it wasn't present for over a year after suspected bite(clegg or tick)displayed symptoms for some time and rash wasn't thought of as Lyme's but fuliculitus!
70. Punchhole test revealed lyme and blood test came Lyme positive!
71. Yes mole removal
72. 2
73. No
74. none

75. Investigation in to endometriosis
76. No
77. No
78. No
79. No
80. No
81. No
82. No
83. None
84. No
85. Wisdom tooth removal and tonsillectomy
86. Yes, bilateral maxoplexi, endoscopy and colonoscopy.
87. Colonoscopy
88. Tooth extracted
89. Hysterectomy
90. 2 both for the insertion of a sacral nerve stimulator
91. None
92. No
93. No
94. no
95. I had a port put in to treat Lyme/babesia/mycoplasma and acute immune defiancey disorder
96. No
97. No
98. None
99. no
- 100.tonsils removed
101. O
- 102.Dental work
103. Unknown jaw pain
- 104.2 - removals of cysts.
105. Three
- 106.No
107. dental cist
- 108.major dental, 3 large cavities,
- 109.Dental
110. Just lots of testing where the lyme is attacking my organs
111. No
112. No
113. N/A
114. Yes
115. Root canal
116. None
117. none
118. No
119. Pacemaker
120. No
121. NO
122. No
123. I am having amalgam filling removal but am having to pay privately as the NHS don't remove them with a rubber damn and necessary equipment.
124. tooth extraction

125. Sub acromial decompression / calcium excision
126. No
127. No
128. No
129. Partial nephrectomy, cystoscopy, grommet to right ear
130. No just a filling
131. No
132. Mercury amalgam fillings removed and replaced. Root canal treatment.
133. No
134. Laparoscopy for endometriosis
135. No
136. No
137. Three dental extractions and a hernia operation as a result of a cough caused by Lyme
138. Dental surgery, extraction, fillings, root canal surgery
139. no
140. No
141. 1
142. No
143. no
144. Skin cancer removal
145. I had cysts and hemorrhoids removed from my private area
146. no
147. Heart stent.
148. C incision to remove serious infection in my thumb
149. Root canal and Crown on a tooth
150. No
151. i had 5 cysts removed from my scalp, a two hour op while awak, owchy,
152. No
153. no
154. No
155. Tooth extracted.
156. No
157. No
158. No
159. No
160. Wart in right nostril, they wanted to remove it in case it was cancerous
161. No
162. Tooth extraction.
163. Have had 2 wisdom teeth removed. But this would have happened even if I didnt have Lyme.
164. No
165. 2
166. N/a
167. Amalgam replacement and cavitation clean up
168. No
169. No
170. No
171. No
172. Botox injection into my pelorus valve in stomach due to Gastroparesis under sedation in my local hospital by colonoscopy and Endoscopy procedure carried out called OGD
173. laperoscopy
174. None

175. None
176. N/A
177. In 2013 I had 3 operations in 3 months, none of which were of any benefit whatsoever....all Lyme symptoms.
178. Gall Bladder removed
179. No.
180. Tooth extracted.
181. No
182. No
183. no
184. No
185. No
186. Not in last 12 months but after symptoms started I had wisdom teeth removed as was told may be the cause.
Now 3 years ago.
187. None
188. Laparoscopy
189. Sigmoidoscopy
190. Endoscopy
191. No
192. None
193. No
194. 2 teeth extracted
195. No
196. Gallbladder
197. Feeding jejunostomy and venting gastrostomy, as my GI system no longer works.
198. Tooth extraction X 2
199. No
200. None
201. No
202. Polyps removed
203. No
204. No
205. No
206. I had 2 teeth out a polip removed from my bowl and a kidney stone dissolved i was in hopital fore 7 days
207. No
208. a knee operation
209. No
210. Yes related to my IBS
211. Tooth extracted
212. Port placement
213. Several bowel studies, colonoscopy, TEE
214. No
215. Nil
216. Gallbladder removed
217. Teeth problems
218. None
219. HPV removed from throat
220. Suspicious mole from right arm
221. Tonsillectomy
222. 2 teeth extracted.
223. Tooth extracted

224. Removal of kidney and cancerous tumour.
- 225.No
226. No
- 227.No
228. No
229. No
- 230.Dental incl extracted tooth. My feeling is that lyme bugs hid in my dental roots/pockets and cause TMJ pains etc too.
231. Thankfully my dentist is lyme aware and understands biofilms, and he has had for quite awhile a lyme awareness poster in his waiting room. It has been a great relief to have a medical professional in form of my dentist, who I have felt has understood me and been compassionate and helpful. Unfortunately, cannot say that of many others.
- 232.No
233. Wisdom tooth removal
- 234.No
- 235.No thank goodness! Lymies don't recover well from surgery
- 236.An operation on the The anterior cruciate ligament
- 237.No
- 238.No but need one due to Lyme causing TMJ which cant be resolved under NHS. Need a private procedure costing £7500
- 239.No
240. Yes, I have had shoulder surgery. The condition I had in my shoulder was as a result of being unable to walk for 2 years as a result of undiagnosed and untreated Lyme disease. So, indirectly the shoulder condition was caused by Lyme
241. 1 on bladder
242. No
- 243.dental work got problems with teeth "suddenly" dead or infections needing emergency root canals etc
244. paid for amalgam fillings to be removed as I has 8!!
- 245.Non
246. Pace maker.
247. Need extensive dental work, am just about to start treatment.
248. Not yet
249. ACL Reconstruction on knee
- 250.teeth caped fillings and mouth guard
251. NO- BUT BEEN TOLD I NEED NEW KNEES BUT SUGEON RELUCTANT TO OPERATE DUE TO HAVING LYME-HAD 3 OPS IN THE PAST
- 252.No
- 253.No
- 254.No
255. Arthroscopy on my right knee on 30th September 2015 for a biopsy on the cartilage and joint fluid to check for any Lyme bacteria. Samples were sent to Porton Down and also to Germany.
- 256.No, but I am about to have yet another tooth out (aged 41) due to infection in the root and neighbouring bone.
257. Mole removal
- 258.Fertility egg retrieval
- 259.O
260. No
- 261.No
262. no
- 263.Sacral never nemdoulater - £20K cost
264. No

265.No

266. Wisdom tooth extraction (private dentist)

267.No

268. No

269. Neck surgery

270. 1 catheter ablation for an arrhythmia that was eventually found to be caused by Lyme, suspected svt was an incorrect diagnosis.

271. 1 cholecystectomy (gallbladder removal) Lyme is believed to infected my gallbladder, hida scan revealed 0% functionality

272. No

273. Out patient appt for blood transfusion.