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Re: Freedom of Information Request Ref: 374-2019

Thank you for your email dated 27th December 2019 requesting information with regards to tonsillectomy surgery.

The information that you require is as follows:

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Does your trust / hospital(s) offer Tonsillectomy Surgery, which is undertaken in the Trust?

If the answer no, the FOI request ends here. Please just notify me that your trust / hospital(s) does not undertake this surgery.

If yes, please answer the following questions:

2a

Do surgeons in your trust / hospital(s) perform tonsillectomy surgery on children (under 16 years of age)?

2b

If the answer to 2a is 'yes', do they provide patients / parents of patients in this age group with an information sheet relating to their operation?

2c

If the answer to 2b is 'yes' please, as well as completing these question, also send me a copy of the information sheet that is provided, even if it is only sometimes given to patients/parents.

3a

Do surgeons in your trust / hospital(s) perform tonsillectomy surgery on young adults and adults (16 years and over)? 3b If the answer to 3a is 'yes', do they provide patients in this age group with an information sheet relating to their operation?

3c

If the answer to 3b is 'yes' please, as well as completing these question, also send me a copy of the information sheet that is provided, even if it is only sometimes given to patients (unless the same sheet given to both children/parents and to adult patients in which case please make that clear in your answer and just provide that sheet)

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What advice is usually given to a) Children and b) Young Adults / Adult regarding diet immediately after tonsillectomy (i.e. for approximately the first week or so post surgery)

I can confirm that our Trust does not hold any information in this regard. Our Trust is a tertiary specialist cancer treatment centre and does not provide tonsillectomy surgery. Therefore, the information you have requested is not applicable to our Trust in this instance.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM