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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 24 June 2017 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding the number of deaths under GA for dental procedures. Specifically you asked for:

I'm a dentist employed with Public Dental Service of NHS Forth Valley.

I wish to put forward an FOI request regarding the number of deaths that have occurred under GA for dental procedures. I am in the process of conducting research on this topic since the publication of 'A Conscious Decision' in 2000'.

I wish to be provided the following information:

- ***Number of deaths per year since 2000 (including the full year 2000) under GA for dental procedures, either under the care of the Public Dental Service (PDS) or Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS)***
- ***The age of the patients that died.***

County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust replies:

Answer: No deaths were found for patients under GA for dental procedures. This information was only available from April 2001.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our

disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
Darlington
DL3 6HX

If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer