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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 19 January 2018 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 Orthopaedic procedures. Specifically you asked for:

I would like to make an information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

These are the questions I would like data for:

1. Does the Trust perform orthopaedic surgical procedures?

Answer: Yes

2. What pre-designed consent forms does the Trust use for orthopaedic procedures?

Answer: The Trust uses a generic Consent Form for Orthopaedic procedures.

3. What Trust-specific patient-information leaflets does the Trust provide for orthopaedic procedures?

Answer: - Patient Information Leaflets relating to the Orthopaedic Procedures

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| Total Hip Replacement Enhanced Recovery Programme | Currently going through Governance Review Process |
| Total Knee Replacement Enhanced Recovery Programme | Currently going through Governance Review Process |
| Preparing for Shoulder and Elbow Surgery | Please see Attached |
| Preparing for foot and Ankle surgery | Please see Attached |

4. Does the Trust perform mastectomies?

Answer: Yes

5. Does the Trust use pre-designed consent forms for mastectomies?

Answer: No

6. Does the Trust provide Trust-specific patient-information leaflets for mastectomies?

Answer: There is no specific patient leaflet. The service provides generalised information at pre-assessment.

7. Does the Trust perform wide local excisions?

Answer: We perform wide local excisions

8. Does the Trust use pre-designed consent forms for wide local excisions?

Answer: We use the standard generic consent form

9. Does the Trust provide Trust-specific patient-information leaflets for wide local excisions?

Answer: No patient leaflet for wider excisions

10. Does the Trust perform caesarean sections?

Answer: Yes

11. Does the Trust use pre-designed consent forms for caesarean sections?

Answer: Pre-printed consent designed, agreed and going through governance processes

12. Does the Trust provide Trust-specific patient-information leaflets for caesarean sections?

Answer: Yes: The Information is held on the Trust website – Maternity – this can be printed off if the patient does not have access. Please see attached document

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
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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
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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