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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 3rd January 2019 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 pelvic organ prolapse statistics. Specifically you requested information as follows:

I am writing to request information related to pelvic organ prolapse statistics held by County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust under the above mentioned Act. In terms of pelvic organs, I refer to the pelvic organs such as the bladder, uterus, vagina, bowel, and rectum.

I would like you to provide me with the following information:

1. The total figure for County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust spending on treatment for pelvic organ prolapse for the last available fiscal year.

Answer: The Trust is unable to pinpoint costs related to a group of conditions. This not recorded to this level.

2. The number of males and females that were admitted to hospitals under County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust as a result of pelvic organ prolapse between 01 April 2017 and 01 April 2018.

Answer: 27 Male
369 Female

3. The total number of pelvic organ prolapse surgeries that were performed between 01 April 2017 and 01 April 2018.

Answer: 6 Male
552 Female

4. The total number of patients who were recommended pelvic floor muscle training as treatment for their pelvic organ prolapse between 01 April 2017 and 01 April 2018.

Answer: The Trust does not centrally record this information, to supply the number would require the review of patient notes which would take over the permitted timescale within the act therefore; we are refusing this section of your request for information pursuant to section 12 of the Act on the grounds that we estimate that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit at the present time is £450.00 which equates to eighteen and a quarter hours of work by a member of staff at the rate of £25 per hour.

5. How many hysterectomies were performed under the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust between 01 April 2017 and 01 April 2018? Please could you also provide the top 5 causes of these hysterectomies and their contributing percentage to the total figure?

Answer:

DIAG_01	ICD10 Description	Count	% Of Total
D259	Leiomyoma of uterus unspecified	94	32.6%
C541	Malignant neoplasm: Endometrium	28	9.7%
D27X	Benign neoplasm of ovary	17	5.9%
N920	Excessive and frequent menstruation with regular cycle	17	5.9%
N800	Endometriosis of uterus	16	5.6%
-	All Other Diagnosis	116	40.3%
Total		288	

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