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Email only

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## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your request for information received on 22 February 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 the breast enlargements. Specifically you requested information as follows:

- 1. How much money has been paid out in compensation for botched breast augmentation or botched breast enlargements? Please provide information for the last three years.***
- 2. How many people have made successful compensation claims for botched breast augmentation or botched breast enlargements? Please provide information for the last three years.***
- 3. How many unsuccessful claims for compensation for botched breast augmentation or botched breast enlargements has there been in the last three years?***

***By last three years I mean 2015, 2016 and 2017. Please provide information for each calendar year.***

***If it is not possible to answer this request in its entirety due to one or more questions exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please answer the ones that do not exceed the limits and disregard the ones that do.***

***If it is not possible to provide any of the information requested due to the request exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please***

***provide advice and assistance, under your Section 16 obligations, as to how I can refine my request to be included in the scope of the Act.***

***In any case, if you can identify ways that my request could be refined please provide further advice and assistance to indicate this.***

**County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust replies:**

There are no relevant claims.

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  
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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  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

**Joanna Tyrrell**  
**Freedom of Information Officer**