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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 12th October 2022 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to intravenous fluid therapy and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. Does your trust have a consultant lead for intravenous fluid therapy? If so, how many PAs of consultant time are allocated?

No

2. Does your trust have a nursing lead for intravenous fluid therapy? If so, how many whole-time equivalents deliver this role?

No

3. Does your trust have an intravenous fluid therapy policy based on NICE Clinical Guideline 174 (CG174 Intravenous fluid therapy in adults in hospital)?

The Trust does have an Intravenous Policy but it is not solely based on NG174.

4. Does your trust audit compliance with this intravenous fluid management policy?

No

5. Does your trust audit compliance with NICE Quality Standard 66 (Intravenous fluid therapy in adults in hospital)?

Yes

The following audits are carried out to show compliance:

- No. 958: Measuring the effectiveness of IV to SC formulation switch of biologics in IBD patients
- No. 1370: Management of Iron deficiency anaemia using IV Iron
- No. 1368: Indication for in-patient use of amiodarone
- No. 1505: To assess the appropriateness IV iron use in patient presenting with anaemia to Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC)
- No. 1379: The assessment and management of iron deficiency in patients hospitalised with Heart Failure
- No. 996: Fluid resuscitation in pancreatitis (FLIP) by NOSTRA (Northern Surgical Trainees Research Association).

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 on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator