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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the FOI Act.

You asked:

Under the FOIA (2000) please would you supply the following information relating to your Trust's (and its outsourced services') practice of OUTPATIENT HYSTEROSCOPY/BIOPSY – PAIN CONTROL AND PATIENT CHOICE

1. *The patient information leaflet/s*

https://www.wwl.nhs.uk/Library/All_New_PI_Docs/Audio_Leaflets/Gynaecology/Hysteroscopy/gyn023_hyster_oscscopy219v7.pdf

http://www.wwl.nhs.uk/Library/All_New_PI_Docs/Audio_Leaflets/Gynaecology/outpt_hysteroscopy/gyn06_2_outpatient_hysteroscopy119v1.pdf

2. *The consent form/s* Please see attached

3. *For each of the last 3 financial years:*

i. all audits of OP hysteroscopy adverse events, (including infection, perforation, pain equal to or above 7/10 on VAS) We have no audits of this topic done in the last three years.

ii. all surveys of patients' outpatient hysteroscopy experiences. Are all your patients allowed to complete the satisfaction survey at home? Y/N No

iii. the number of your patients who had a) GA, b) spinal anaesthesia, c) monitored procedural IV sedation, d) local anaesthetic, e) no anaesthetic. We do not hold this information.

iv. the % of your a) diagnostic hysteroscopies, b) operative hysteroscopies that were done in outpatients. We do not hold this information.

Did your Trust meet the Best Practice Target % Tariff for each of these years? Y/N Y

3. i. Is local anaesthetic available in all your outpatient hysteroscopy clinics? Y
- ii. Is Entonox available in all your outpatient hysteroscopy clinics? Y
5. Are all your hysteroscopy patients (including See & Treat/One Stop Shop/Late Cancellations) offered
- i. local anaesthetic? N
- ii. GA? N
- iii. spinal anaesthesia? N
- iv. safely monitored IV sedation? N
6. Do you use electro-surgery in any of your outpatients clinics? Y/N If so, do you always use the lowest power setting? Yes, Versapoint, we use the standard setting for the Versapoint machine.
7. What type and diameter of scopes do you use in a) outpatients, b) for GA patients? Rigid, semi-rigid, flexible? Rigid various diameters from 3mm diagnostic to 11mm resectoscope.
8. What is the minimum training and accreditation (e.g. RCOG ATSM) that all your NEW hysteroscopists must have?
For anyone without an ATSM, additional training as required is provided in house with supervision from an established hysteroscopist until the supervisor is satisfied that an appropriate level of skill (equivalent to an ATSM) has been achieved.
9. What % diagnostic outpatient hysteroscopy/biopsy patients had an incomplete procedure which was repeated with epidural, GA or sedation? No data collected.
10. Does your Trust have a psychosexual counselling service for PTSD caused by severe procedural pain? No

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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