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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

I would like to make a request for some information relating to bowel preparation for colonoscopy if that is possible. All of the questions refer to colonoscopy procedures performed between 1st January 2018 and 1st January 2019.

- 1. What is the first line bowel preparation laxative that is offered to patients undergoing colonoscopy?**

Moviprep

- 2. Do you offer any alternative bowel preparation laxatives for patients undergoing colonoscopy?**

Yes. We have Picolax/citrafleet as second line. We also have access to Kleenprep and Plenvu if there is a clinical need or patient preference.

- 3. How many patients received each bowel preparation laxative between 1st January 2018 and 1st January 2019?**

We do not record this information.

- 4. What was the number of patients receiving each bowel preparation laxative who had inadequate bowel preparation between 1st January 2018 and 1st January 2019?**

We do not record this information.

- 5. Are patients undergoing colonoscopy advised to take the bowel preparation at a single time or split over two different times?**

Split dose for all patients

- 6. During the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019, what times were patients advised to consume the bowel preparation for a morning colonoscopy appointment?**

5pm and 8 – 9pm

- 7. During the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019, what times were patients advised to consume the bowel preparation for an afternoon colonoscopy appointment?**

7pm and 8am

- 8. During the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019, what times were patients advised to consume the bowel preparation for an evening colonoscopy appointment?**

Not applicable at our Trust.

- 9. Are patient's advised to consume a particular diet prior to their colonoscopy? If so what diet are they advised to consume? How many days are they advised to consume it for?**

No solid food after breakfast on the day before colonoscopy for all patients. Selected patients may be asked to take a low residue diet for up to a week before colonoscopy as well.

- 10. Do any of your patients attend a specific pre assessment clinic after they are referred for colonoscopy, but before they attend on the day of their endoscopy to receive more detailed endoscopy information?**

All patients with a planned or surveillance colonoscopy which is due more than 3 months from the time of request.

- 11. What are the criteria for referral to this pre assessment clinic?**

As above

- 12. How many patients are seen in this pre assessment clinic between 1st January 2018 and 1st January 2019?**

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- 13. How many colonoscopies did you perform in the last year between 1st January 2018 and 1st January 2019?**

Please see the information in the table below.

- 14. During the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019:**

- How many patients were documented as having excellent bowel preparation?
- What was the polyp detection rate in patient with excellent bowel preparation?
- How many patients were documented as having good bowel preparation?
- What was the polyp detection rate in patient with good bowel preparation?
- How many patients were documented as having fair bowel preparation?
- What was the polyp detection rate in patient with fair bowel preparation?
- How many patients were documented as having inadequate bowel preparation?
- What was the polyp detection rate in patient with inadequate bowel preparation?

We do not record this information.

- 15. How many patients had a morning appointment during the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019?**

Please see the information in the table below.

- 16. How many patients who had a morning appointment during the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019 had inadequate bowel prep?**

We do not record this information.

- 17. How many patients had an afternoon appointment during the period of 1st January 201 to 1st January 2019?**

Please see the information in the table below.

**Admissions with Primary Procedure of Colonoscopy
1st January 2018 - 31st December 2018**

Admission Time Group	Elective Daycase	Elective Inpatient	Non-Elective	Total
AM	3880	16	8	3904
PM	1593	15	9	1617
Total	5473	31	17	5521

AM - Before 1:30pm

PM - 1:30pm and later

- 18. How many patients who had an afternoon appointment during the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019 had inadequate bowel prep?**

We do not record this information.

- 19. How many patients had an evening appointment during the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019?**

We do not do evening endoscopy lists

- 20. How many patients who had an evening appointment during the period of 1st January 2018 to 1st January 2019 had inadequate bowel prep?**

We do not do evening endoscopy lists

21. If a patient has a repeat colonoscopy due to inadequate bowel preparation, do you have a specific bowel preparation regime for those patients? If so what is it?

We usually repeat with Moviprep but ask patients to take senna and low residue diet for 7 days in addition.

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,



Rob Forster
Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Finance

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