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Date Received: 2nd July 2024

Response Due: 2nd August 2024

Date: 25th July 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 2nd July 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. Number of annual Transperineal prostate biopsies undertaken in the Trust.
389.

2. Number of annual Transrectal prostate biopsies undertaken in the Trust.
0.

3. Number of annual targeted prostate biopsies undertaken in the Trust.
This information is not centrally recorded as the coding is not separate for targeted biopsies.

4. Number of annual prostate biopsies undertaken in an Outpatient setting.
346.

* The Trust only codes Transperineal prostate biopsies, therefore this is the total of those biopsies which were undertaken in an outpatient setting.

5. Which groups of staff are performing prostate biopsies? E.g. Urologist, Radiologist, Associate Physician, Nurse Practitioner etc.
Urology consultants and registrars. The Trust has a nurse specialist training to do the procedure.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sanjay Arya', with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end.

Sanjay Arya
Medical Director

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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