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Freedom of Information Act Disclosure log - Reply Extract

You asked

I am writing to request under the Freedom of Information Act some details regarding surgery carried out across NHS Trusts in the last five years

Response introduction

Please note the Trust uses recognised codes for recording procedures. The codes used are the same for each of the operations requested in questions one and two and therefore the volume is the same for both tables. Namely:

1. Diastasis Recti operations S021
 2. Abdominoplasty S021
 3. Diastasis Recti operations with a hernia S021 with umbilical hernia T241 T249 or ventral hernia T251
1. **Please advise how many Diastasis Recti operations have been carried out in your health trust the last five years, with a breakdown of how many per year?**

Year	Volume
2011/12	13
2012/13	9
2013/14	Five or fewer
2014/15	6
2015/16	Five or fewer

2. **How many abdominoplasty surgeries have been carried out in your health trust in the last five years, with a breakdown of how many per year?**

Year	Volume
2011/12	See top table – code and numbers same for both operations

2012/13	See top table – code and numbers same for both operations
2013/14	See top table – code and numbers same for both operations
2014/15	See top table – code and numbers same for both operations
2015/16	See top table – code and numbers same for both operations

3. **Please advise how many Diastasis Recti operations with a hernia have been carried out in your health trust in the last five years, with a breakdown of how many per year?**

Year	Volume
2011/12	0
2012/13	0
2013/14	0
2014/15	Five or fewer
2015/16	0

Legal notes

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust is confirming in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it holds the information requested and is supplying it in accordance with section 1(b) unless otherwise specified.

Please find the answers to your questions noting that we have redacted the data set where numbers are five or fewer. This avoids a breach of the first two Data Protection Act principles. This is in accordance with section 40.-(2)(a) and (b) by virtue of section 40.-(3)(a)(i), the personal information exemption as described in the Freedom of Information Act. A detailed rationale is provided in the attached document L3.

Attachments included: Yes –L3