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### Freedom of Information Act Disclosure log - Reply Extract

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could you fill out the following Freedom of Information request with the information for your Trust. Please note that the information provided in response to this request may be partly or wholly re-used unless specified otherwise by the response.

1. In each of the last three financial years how many women a year are diagnosed with:

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a. symptomatic fibroids

We are unable to tell how many patients are diagnosed with a certain condition; however, 906 patients were admitted and treated for fibroids.

b. endometriosis

We are unable to tell how many patients are diagnosed with a certain condition; however, 678 patients were admitted and treated for endometriosis.

2. In each of the last three financial years how many women with chronic pain were i) investigated by laparoscopy and ii) what proportion of these women received a diagnosis for

a. endometriosis

90 Patients were admitted and treated for endometriosis within the past three financial years who previously had a laparoscopy. The laparoscopy may or may not be related to the treatment of endometriosis.

b. fibroids

27 Patients were admitted and treated for fibroids within the past three financial years that previously had a laparoscopy. The laparoscopy may or may not be related to the treatment of fibroids.

c. other, please state where possible

Not applicable

**3. In each of the last three financial years how many women have received a diagnostic or other test(s) for:**

**a. endometriosis**

We are unable to identify the specific reason why a patient underwent a specific test unless sourcing case notes and investigating each case. This is not possible within the time allowed under the Act.

**b. fibroids**

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**4. On average how many diagnostic and other tests do women receive who later receive a diagnosis of:**

**a. endometriosis**

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**b. fibroids**

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**5. What information is offered to women who present with :**

**a. pelvic pain**

**b. heavy menstrual bleeding (HBM)**

Patients presenting with pelvic pain or HMB are seen by a consultant gynaecologist with many many years of training behind them and given the appropriate information regarding their symptoms and investigation findings

This is backed up by information leaflets including those but not exclusive to laparoscopy, hysterectomy, mirena ius, novasure ablation, uterine artery embolisation, endometriosis treatment, decapeptyl treatment etc.

All these many leaflets are available in the gynaecology outpatient department ready for patient advice.

**6. On average, how much money a year is spent on hospital admissions for women with:**

- a. **fibroids** = £857,486
- b. **endometriosis** = £627,854

The figures presented above are the costs attributed to patients with the above individual diagnoses in the Trust's Patient Level Costing system. It should be noted that in cases where patients have both diagnoses recorded then the cost of the same admission will be attributed to both diagnoses. The costs provided are the average of the last three financial years.

**7. In each of the last 5 years, how many times have the below codes been logged?**

- a. **Open Myomectomy - code Q09.2**
- b. **Endoscopic myomectomy – code Q17.1**
- c. **Hysterectomy - code Q07.1-Q08.9**
- d. **Heavy menstrual bleeding – code N92**
- e. **Fibroids – code D25.0-25.02 and D25.9**
- f. **Uterine Fibroid Embolisation - code RC41Z**

	<b>Open Myomectomy</b>	<b>Endoscopic myomectomy</b>	<b>Hysterectomy</b>	<b>Heavy menstrual bleeding</b>	<b>Fibroids</b>	<b>Uterine Fibroid Embolisation</b>
<b>2010</b>	9	21	468	240	382	0
<b>2011</b>	10	27	452	398	425	8
<b>201</b>	17	46	429	257	353	Five or

2						fewer
2013	9	61	450	315	401	8
2014	Five or fewer	44	457	432	494	Five or fewer
2015	7	38	379	243	416	Five or fewer

**8. How many laparoscopies have you carried out over the last three financial years for:**

**a. diagnostic endometriosis**

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**b. treatment for endometriosis**

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**c. fibroids**

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**d. other, please state where possible**

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**9. How many laparoscopic excision surgeries and hysterectomies (code Q07.1-Q08.9) due to endometriosis/adenomyosis/fibroids have you carried out over the last three financial years broken down by year?**

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**10. What is the cost of the number of hysterectomies (code Q07.1-Q08.9) related to a) endometriosis b) adenomyosis and c) fibroids over the last three financial years?**

**a) endometriosis** = £286,224

**b) adenomyosis** = £219,578

**c) fibroids** = £554,606

The figures presented above are the costs attributed to patients undergoing hysterectomy with the above individual diagnoses in the Trust's Patient Level Costing system. It should be noted that in cases where patients have more than one diagnosis recorded then the cost of the same admission will be attributed to each individual diagnosis. The costs provided are the average of the last three financial years.

**11. How many uterine artery/fibroid embolization procedures (code RC41Z) have you carried out over the last three financial years, for fibroids, broken down by year?**

\*We are unable to identify the specific reason why a patient underwent a specific procedure/test unless sourcing case notes and going through each case.

\*This is not possible within the time allowed under the Act

Please refer to answer for question 7 for breakdown of figures by year.

**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.

\*The Trust has more than one million paper based clinical records and consequentially we cannot answer any questions that would require us to search these record for the data requested. The search would take more than required by the Act that specifies a limit of 18 hours to locate, extract and collate the information.

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