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### **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Endoscopy procedures.

1. *Current waiting list time(s) for the below Endoscopy procedures in line with Joint Advisory Group (JAG) guidelines?*

- *OGD – Gastroscopy*
- *Flexible Sigmoidoscopy*
- *Colonoscopy*
- *EUS*
- *ERCP*

41 days.

2. *Do you currently require assistance with a locum Consultant to help clear your current backlog / waiting list?*

No

3. *Number of Endoscopy sessions run weekly, and how many theatres available?*

Tunbridge Wells Hospital at Pembury - 31 sessions with 3 rooms available -  
Maidstone Hospital - 21 sessions with 2/3 rooms available

4. *Do you operate over 5 days (Mon-Fri) or do you offer a full 7 day service?*

The Trust run a 7 day service providing elective capacity and space on the elective lists for our 7 day emergency bleed service

5. *The rate per session (or per hour) for Endoscopy waiting list initiative work that the Trust has paid to Consultant?*

£650

6. *Please could you also tell me the sessional rate (or per hour) for Endoscopy waiting list initiative work paid to Locum Consultants between the same time period?*

£600

7. *Please could you also tell me whether the hospital has ever used agencies to supply Endoscopy Consultants?  
If so, which agencies have been used?*

No agencies have been used.