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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 the removal of a foreign object from Ears, nose, throat, mouth and rectum.

You asked:

Please could you provide me with information on foreign objects removed from patients at Maidstone Hospital and Tunbridge Wells Hospital over the last 12 months?

For each incident please could you say what object was removed from the patient and at which hospital this procedure was carried out?

If possible could you let me know which part of the body this was removed from?

The Trust requested clarification: Can you please confirm exactly which parts of the patient's body the foreign objects were removed from that you are interested in.

Clarification received: Ears, nose, throat, mouth and backside.

Trust response:

The following figures are for admitted patients only and do not include A&E attendances where the patient did not require admitting. The A&E system does not give the required level of detail to enable it to be included.

Numbers are for a year (Oct17-Sep18) as follows, split by hospital site. We are unable to advise what was removed, only that a foreign object was removed from each area.

Row Labels	MAID	TWH	Grand Total
Removal from Ear	4	24	28
Removal from Larynx		1	1
Removal from Lung	1		1
Removal from Nose	3	12	15
Removal from Pharynx		2	2
Removal from Rectum		2	2
Grand Total	8	41	49