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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 Foley catheters.

You asked:

- 1. How many female patients in your Trust had a Foley catheter during the last 12 months?*
- 2. How many Foley catheters were used in your Trust during the last 12 months?*
- 3. How many of those Foley catheters were used for a female patient?*
- 4. Of your total Foley catheter usage, what percentage was used on females?*
- 5. How many Foley catheters are used per patient during their total hospital stay?*
- 6. Of your patients who have a Foley catheter, how long do they stay in hospital on average?*
- 7. Of your patients who have a Foley catheter, what percentage would be longer term patients? i.e. stay over the above stated average in hospital*
- 8. Of the total number of female patients using a Foley catheter, what percentage has any of the following:*
 - a) Faecal incontinence*
 - b) Obstruction / atonic bladder*
 - c) Surgery in perineal area*

Trust response:

This information is not held in a reportable format. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.