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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 Dermatology Surgery.

You asked:

1. *Is dermatological surgery (skin surgery including e.g. punch biopsies and excisions) carried out routinely at your trust under Dermatology?*
2. *If so, is consent undertaken for these using either of:*
 - a. *Dermatology-specific consent form or procedure-specific consent forms pre-filled with a list of benefits and complications specific to either skin procedures in general, or the skin procedure being carried out?*
 - b. *Pre-filled consent labels specifying the risks/benefits attached to the Trust generic consent form?*
3. *If either a Dermatology or procedure specific consent form, or a pre-filled consent label is being used, please could you supply me with a copy? In the case of different procedure-specific consent forms used within skin surgery, please could you provide a copy of each form for each procedure?*

Trust response:

Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust does not carry out dermatology surgery.