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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 circumcisions.

You asked:

I am writing to discern the number of circumcisions that have been done to treat phimosis (N47.1) in the UK.

I would like to know how many such circumcisions that were carried out by your NHS trust in the years of 2018 and 2019, or any similar time period for which the records are readily available. If your trust does not carry out circumcision to treat phimosis then please just reply to say so. If possible I would like to be provided with a breakdown of the ages of the patients at the time of the procedure; either in the way in which this information is already recorded by yourselves, or alternatively in the following way:

- a. Between the ages 0-4
- b. Between the ages 5-8
- c. Between the ages 9-12
- d. Between the ages 13-16
- e. Between the ages 16 to 20
- f. Ages 21+

Trust response:

Please see below a summary of the circumcision data for 2018 & 2019 of patients that had a primary procedure of N303 – Circumcision & a primary diagnosis of N47X - Redundant prepuce, phimosis and paraphimosis:

epi_start_age2	2018	2019
0-4 years	9	7
5-8 years	15	17
9-12 years	18	14
13-16 years	7	13
17-20 years	17	15
21+ years	84	111
	150	177
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