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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 flexible cystoscopies.

*You asked:*

*We are interested in receiving insights from the current calendar year, from 01.01.21 until today (December 2021).*

*Clinic Sizes & Flexible Cystoscopies*

- 1. How many urology units currently perform flexible cystoscopies in your Trust for investigatory purposes?*
- 2. How many patients are seen in urology in your Trust per week/month/year for investigatory flexible cystoscopies?*
- 3. Is an initial investigation the only reason for cystoscopies with flexible cystoscopes or they can be used for other reasons too? (e.g. laser, taking biopsies).*
- 4. How many flexible, and how many rigid cystoscopes are currently in use across the Trust?*
- 5. How many flexible and how many rigid cystoscopies are performed – on average – per week/month/year across the Trust?*
- 6. Which cystoscope models do you use and how many are there of them currently in practice?*
- 7. What cleaning/sterilisation process for flexible cystoscopes is currently in place?*

*Protective sheaths*

- 1. Do you currently use a protective sheath on your cystoscopes? If yes, for which cystoscope model?*
- 2. If the answer for the question above is no, are you considering using protective sheaths for flexible cystoscopes in the future?*

*Single use cystoscopes:*

- 1. Have you ever used a single-use cystoscope in your practice, or are you considering to? Please provide details on model and reason.*

Trust response:

Clinic Sizes & Flexible Cystoscopies - Urology

1. The Trust has 2 units who perform Cystoscopies.
2. On average 180 per week
3. We also take biopsies, give Botox treatments and remove stents
4. Within Urology we have 25 flexible scopes and 25 rigid scopes.
5. Within Urology per week on average we do 180 flexible cystoscopies with approximately 50 rigid ones per week
6. CYFVHA
7. We undertake a bedside clean post procedure with neutraflush, the scopes then go to endoscopy for decontamination. Please see the documents attached to the response email.

Protective sheaths

1. No
2. Not at present

Single use cystoscopes:

The Trust did try one make some time ago we do not recollect the make

Clinic Sizes & Flexible Cystoscopies – Gynaecology (GOPD)

1. In Gynaecology Outpatient Department (GOPD) at TWH we currently see 5 patient's per week for either cystoscopy or bladder Botox procedures.
2. 5 per week.
3. For bladder Botox procedure.
4. In GOPD we have 1 flexible cystoscope
5. Within GOPD per week on average we do 5 flexible cystoscopies, approximately 20 per month, approximately 200 per year.
6. Genesis model: CST-4000 FIBRE cystoscope x 1.
7. We use Tristel Trio wipe system

Protective sheaths

1. Yes – Genesis- CST-4000 FIBRE cystoscope
2. Not applicable

Single use cystoscopes:

1. No