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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 orthopaedic services.

*You asked:*

*1. Does your NHS trust have an orthopaedic service?*

*If yes:*

- a. How many prosthetic joint infections have been recorded between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*
  - b. How many prosthetic joint infections have been recorded between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*
  - c. How many episodes of osteomyelitis have been recorded between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*
  - d. How many episodes of osteomyelitis have been recorded between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*
  - e. How many episodes of septic arthritis have been recorded between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*
  - f. How many episodes of septic arthritis have been recorded between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*
  - g. How many episodes of fracture related infections have been recorded between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*
  - h. How many episodes of fracture related infections have been recorded between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*
- 2. Does your NHS trust perform knee anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction surgery?*

*If yes:*

- a. How many were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*
- b. How many were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*c. How many surgeons were these episodes coded under?*

*3. Does your NHS trust perform knee osteotomy surgery?*

*If yes:*

*a. How many were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*

*b. How many were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*c. How many surgeons were episodes of knee osteotomy surgery coded under?*

*4. Does your NHS trust perform non-arthroplasty hip surgery?*

*If yes:*

*a. How many were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*

*b. How many were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*c. How many surgeons were episodes of non-arthroplasty hip replacements coded under?*

*5. Does your NHS trust perform spinal surgery?*

*If yes:*

*a. How many primary lumbar decompressions were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*

*b. How many primary lumbar decompressions were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*c. How many discectomies were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*

*d. How many discectomies were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*e. How many spinal tumours were resected between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*

*f. How many spinal tumours were resected between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*6. Does your NHS trust perform foot and ankle surgery?*

*If yes:*

*a. How many first metatarsophalangeal joint arthrodesis operations were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st*

*b. How many first metatarsophalangeal joint arthrodesis operations were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st*

*c. How many surgeons were episodes of first metatarsophalangeal joint arthrodesis coded under?*

*d. How many ankle arthrodesis operations were performed between January 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020?*

*e. How many ankle arthrodesis operations were performed between January 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021?*

*f. How many surgeons were episodes of ankle arthrodesis coded under?*

Trust response:

1. Yes

If yes:

a. 36

b. 58

- c. 18
- d. 8
- e. 3
- f. 2
- g. Unable to answer due to no specific code XX
- h. Unable to answer due to no specific code XX

2. Yes

If yes:

- a. Unable to answer due to no specific code XX
- b. Unable to answer due to no specific code XX
- c. Unable to answer due to no specific code XX

3. Yes

If yes:

- a. Can only identify Osteotomy unable to identify the type of Osteotomy
- b. Can only identify Osteotomy unable to identify the type of Osteotomy
- c. Can only identify Osteotomy unable to identify the type of Osteotomy

4. Yes

If yes:

- a. Cannot classify without knowing the exact procedure
- b. Cannot classify without knowing the exact procedure
- c. Cannot classify without knowing the exact procedure

5. No

All other questions are not applicable.

6. No

All other questions are not applicable.

XX - It may be possible that this information has been entered into a patients record but in order to confirm this each patient record would need to be manually checked by a clinical staff member. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of 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 this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.