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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 intravenous fluid therapy.

*You asked:*

- 1. Does your trust have a consultant lead for intravenous fluid therapy? If so, how many PAs of consultant time are allocated?*
- 2. Does your trust have a nursing lead for intravenous fluid therapy? If so, how many whole-time equivalents deliver this role?*
- 3. Does your trust have an intravenous fluid therapy policy based on NICE Clinical Guideline 174 (CG174 Intravenous fluid therapy in adults in hospital)?*
- 4. Does your trust audit compliance with this intravenous fluid management policy?*
- 5. Does your trust audit compliance with NICE Quality Standard 66 (Intravenous fluid therapy in adults in hospital)?*

Trust response:

1. No
2. No
3. Please see pages 50-57 of the attached Medicines policy and procedure.
4. Yes. We have audited against CG174 which is incorporated in our IV Fluid Therapy guidelines for surgical patients.
5. We do not currently have an audit registered against QS66.