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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 rectal foreign body removal.

You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.

1. The number of operations your trust has done to remove rectal foreign bodies from

patients in the years:

- 2022
- 2023 (to June 1)
- 2.A list of the foreign bodies you have removed in this time period.
- 3. Guidelines as to what happens to these foreign bodies once they have been

removed, or any list of the ways in which this has been done - for instance they have been disposed of or returned to owner.

Trust response:

- 1. Please note: We can provide the number of admitted patients who underwent H44.1 procedure (Manual removal of foreign body from rectum). There have been five patients in the requested timeframe who have undergone this procedure.
- 2. Due to the very small number of cases and in order to protect patient confidentiality the Trust has decided that further more detailed information be refused using the limitations available under Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 40(2) (personal information).
- 3. If appropriate, they are washed and returned to the patient.