

Date: 14 June 2018

Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 112-2018

Thank you for your letter received into the Trust on 21st May 2018 requesting information regarding Foley catheters.

The information that you require is as follows:

1. **How many female patients in your Trust had a Foley catheter during the last 12 months?**
2. **How many Foley catheters were used in your Trust during the last 12 months?**
3. **How many of those Foley catheters were used for a female patient?**
4. **Of your total Foley catheter usage, what percentage was used on females?**
5. **How many Foley catheters are used per patient during their total hospital stay?**
6. **Of your patients who have a Foley catheter, how long do they stay in hospital on average?**
7. **Of your patients who have a Foley catheter, what percentage would be longer term patients? i.e. stay over the above stated average in hospital**
8. **Of the total number of female patients using a Foley catheter, what percentage has any of the following:**
 - a) **Faecal incontinence**
 - b) **Obstruction / atonic bladder**
 - c) **Surgery in perineal area**

Unfortunately we are unable to supply this information as type of catheter is not currently recorded. Therefore, we do not hold this level of detail within our systems.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM>