

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 13 August making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

1. How many specialist urology/continence nurses were there within your Trust in each of the last five financial years?
2. How many hours of staff training were allocated in the last financial year, under the remit of continence care, to catheterisation?
3. Do you have a named continence lead within your Trust? If so, what is their name?
4. Are catheter passports used within your Trust?
 - a. If no, can you provide a reason as to why?
 - b. If yes, has the number of passports given to patients increased over the last 5 years?
5. If a catheter passport is used within your Trust does it contain a urine colour chart?
6. Do you have a urine colour chart on every toilet door within each hospital?
7. Do you test patients presenting with urinary bladder complications with a bladder ultrasound scanner?

Response:

1. In the previous 5 years there were 2 full time (FT) and 2 part time (PT) adult nurses, 1 PT specialist physiotherapist, 1 FT assistant practitioner (AP) (and 1 FT and 2 PT childrens nurses) until this year. This year we have 2 FT, 2 PT adult nurses, 1 FT AP (and 1 FT, 3PT childrens nurses).

2. We provide training sessions titled Bladder symptoms and continence, Bowel symptoms and continence and Catheter clinical skills. This year we have increased training sessions to 10 half day sessions for Catheter skills, 6 sessions for Bladder and 4 for Bowel symptoms.
3. Christine Selwood is the Clinical Lead in Oxfordshire.
4. Yes
5. Yes
6. No
7. Yes, if the patient is seen by the Bladder and Bowel Service, but if continence is assessed by district nurses they are not scanned routinely. (Most patients with stress incontinence are referred to specialist physiotherapy, so these patients would not be scanned routinely.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance