



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-703

Date: 3rd February 2025

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email 15th January 2025 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Wrong Implant/Prosthesis

On 16th January 2025 you emailed the following

I recently contacted you with a Freedom of Information request, titled "Freedom of Information Request: Wrong Implant/Prosthesis."

Please note that I would like to retract question 6, which read:

"In total, how much has the Trust paid in damages for legal claims related to wrong implant or prosthesis incidents?"

Please do not answer this question and instead provide a response for questions 1-5.

**Q1 I am requesting this information under the Freedom of Information Act.
Could you please provide data in response to the following questions:**

Since January 1, 2020, how many incidents have been reported to your Trust involving a wrong implant or prosthesis?

Please note that this is any incident falling under the following definition: "Placement of an implant/prosthesis different from that specified in the procedural plan, either before or during the procedure. The incident is detected any time after the implant/prosthesis is placed in the patient." For each incident, please provide the month, year and the implant or prosthesis involved in the procedure.

A1 The Trust has investigated this request using our incident reporting system and we have found no reported wrong implant or prosthesis for the time frame given.

Q2 **In addition, please confirm the total number of cases reported between January 1, 2020, and December 31, 2024.**

- A2 The Trust has investigated this request using our incident reporting system and we have found no reported wrong implant or prosthesis for the time frame given.
- Q3 How many incidents fell under the definition of a serious incident, in line with the Patient Safety Incident Response Framework (or, prior to that, the Serious Incident Framework)? Please state which cases met this definition.**
- A3 The Trust has investigated this request using our incident reporting system and we have found no reported wrong implant or prosthesis.
- Q4 How many incidents fell under the definition of a Never Event? Please state which cases met this definition.**
- A4 The Trust has investigated this request using our reporting system Datix and has found no reported wrong implant or prosthesis.
- Q5 How many incidents led to serious, moderate, or slight harm to the patient?**
- A5 Not applicable.
- Q6 What were the causes of implant/prosthesis incidents?**
- A6 Not applicable.
- Q7 In total, how much has the Trust paid in damages for legal claims related to wrong implant or prosthesis incidents**
- A7 We have not responded to your question as per your request to withdraw (email dated 16th January 2025).

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries relating to the response please contact my office

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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

Yours,



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