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Date: 12th December 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing in response to your email dated 25th September 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsies.

Q1 Please can you confirm the number of Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsies undertaken in the 2023 calendar year?

A1 For the 2023 calendar year, Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsies was a total of 279 that was undertaken across the Trust.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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

Yours,



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