

Date: **16 May 2019**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5182**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please see our response to your request below:

Your Request

I am requesting, please under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, any and all information leaflets written for parents about Anorectal Malformation including cloaca that you currently give to parents. There may be separate leaflets for boys and girls and so we would like both. If you have more than one, we would be grateful for all of them.

Our Response

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is a single site, specialist tertiary paediatric trust. The information you have requested is already in the public domain and accessible on the GOSH website to where parents have always been advised to obtain the information requested.

Section 21 (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means) is an absolute exemption under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000. An absolute exemption has no requirement for a public authority (the 'Trust') to apply the public interest consideration to provide the information requested. Section 21(1) exempts information that is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means via the GOSH website links below:

<https://www.gosh.nhs.uk/conditions-and-treatments/conditions-we-treat/anorectal-anomaly>

<https://www.gosh.nhs.uk/conditions-and-treatments/conditions-we-treat/cloacal-malformation>

Please note:

The information provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date the request was received by the Trust.

I trust the information provided is sufficient and helps to answer any concerns, questions or issues you may have.

If you should have any further queries related to this request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Please ensure that the above reference number is quoted on any correspondence.

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Yours sincerely

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Your Rights

If you are not dissatisfied with the response you have received to your request for information, please contact the FOI team and quote your reference number on all correspondence relating to your request.

You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
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LONDON
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If you are still not satisfied with your response, you also have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner.

You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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