

Date: **12 September 2019**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5411**

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Your Request

Please find attached a Freedom of Information request on behalf of the All-Party Parliamentary Thrombosis Group. I would be grateful if you could please provide a response within the timeframe specified by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your Attachment: Word document titled “APPTG Annual FOI Survey 2019 – Trusts” - [“Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)”]

Our Response

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the ‘Trust’) is a single site, specialist tertiary paediatric trust. Traditionally, Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) indicator was only applicable to patients aged 18 and over at the time of admission. The Trust is aware in the change of guidance from April 2019. We are working to have in place the collecting of VTE data within the Trust’ new EPR system, which requires new build and testing; however, it is expected the change in guidance will only require a very small percentage of GOSH patients needing VTE assessment. The Trust is therefore unable to complete the survey questions attached with your request for information.

Please note:

The information you have been provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 will be the information held on the date when the Trust received your request for information.

We trust the information provided is sufficient to help in answering any issues, concerns or questions. Should you have any queries in relation to this request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team and quote the above reference number on any correspondence to your request.

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Yours sincerely

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