

Date: **27 September 2019**

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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

We would be grateful if you would provide us with a copy of all relevant protocols relating to the insertion of Central Venous Lines in Great Ormond Street Hospital as at August 2013 and the protocol relating to the Norwood Procedure in force at Great Ormond Street Hospital as at August 2013.

Our Response

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is a single site, specialist tertiary paediatric trust. Please see attached copies of the following information sheets relating to insertion of central venous at GOSH:

- Insertion of Central Venous Catheter (CVC)
- Insertion of Cuffed Tunnelled Central Venous Catheter

The Trust does not have a specific protocol relating to the Norwood procedure. This is a surgical procedure where the surgeon would make the decision on how to proceed on a 'case by case' basis. The central venous lines are used for access to circulation for the delivery of medications and enabling to sample drugs and monitor pressures in the circulation.

Please note:

The information you have been provided under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is the information held on the date of the Trust receiving your request for information.

We trust the information provided is sufficient and helpful in answering your questions and any issues or concerns. 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 relating to this request for information.

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Yours sincerely

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