

Date: **31 January 2020**

Our reference: **FOIRQ5620**

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Your Request

Please can I request any information that is available for the below questions:

- *Does a specific venous thromboembolism protocol exist for your Trust
If so:*
 - *What date was this protocol put into place*
 - *When is it due for review*
- *Is there a preferred Direct Oral Anticoagulant (DOAC) or are all utilised within the trust for VTE.*
- *How many patients have been treated for VTE with a DOAC in the last 12 months*
- *What volume of each DOAC was used to Treat in this same time period*

Our Response

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (the 'Trust') is a single site, specialist tertiary paediatric trust. The Trust does not hold the information requested. The treatment for VTE is a specialist area and patients will normally be assessed and managed on a 'case by case' basis. We have not treated any patients with VTE in the last 12 months with a direct oral anticoagulant. These drugs are not currently licensed in children.

Further information and guidance relating to VTE is available on the NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence) website via the following link:

<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng89>

Please note:

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

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

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Yours sincerely

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Your Rights

Should you have any questions relating to the response you have received to your request for information, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team. Alternatively, you are entitled to make a request for an internal review within two months from the date of receiving our final response to your original request. You can also write to the Head of Quality & Safety at the following address:

Quality & Safety team
Great Ormond Street Hospital
LONDON
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If, however, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review then you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner as the final stage of the FOI process. You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

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