

Freedom of Information Act Request

I would like to submit a Freedom of Information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please could you provide the following information:

How many surgeons undertook parathyroidectomy surgery in 2023 and 2024

We can confirm that fewer than five surgeons undertook parathyroidectomy surgery at our Trust during the calendar years 2023 and 2024.

However, we are withholding the exact number under **Section 40(2)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to personal information. Given the small number of individuals involved, disclosing the exact figure could potentially lead to the identification of those individuals when combined with other available information. This would constitute a breach of the Data Protection Act 2018.

Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

How many parathyroidectomies did they undertake in 2023 and 2024.

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If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to d.wraith@nhs.net.

If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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