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Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Dear Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Please could you provide the following information for your NHS trust:

1. The total number of **hernia repair operations** performed in each of the last financial year (2024/25).

Ans: 10

2. For each of those years, the number of hernia repair operations that were performed using a **laparoscopic approach**.

Ans: 0

3. If available, a further breakdown of laparoscopic hernia repairs by hernia type:

- Inguinal
- Umbilical
- Incisional / ventral
- Other (if recorded)

Ans: N/A

Please note:

- I am **not requesting any patient-identifiable information**.
- Aggregate numbers only are sufficient.
- If exact categorisation by hernia type is not available, please provide the closest available breakdown or state this in your response.
- If your trust operates across multiple hospital sites, please provide a breakdown by hospital where possible.

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:

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