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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Freedom of information request - blood transfusions

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details																												
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2. Which departments performed these transfusions, and how many in each?	<p>Period: Ward Discharge Dates between 01/01/2024 and 31/12/2024 Procedure Codes Used: X32, X33</p> <p>Please note, the coding requirements are based on patients admitted solely for the purpose of a blood transfusion. Due to this, there will likely be non-elective patients who have had blood transfusions that we cannot identify. Additionally, to identify</p>																															

	<p>the patients ward code in the data below, I have used the first ward code in the patients inpatient spell.</p> <p>We have a National Standard on blood transfusions – we only code if the patient is admitted solely for the purpose of a blood transfusion. The exception is if a patient has an intraoperative blood salvage and transfusion or transplant of peripheral blood stem cells, which is not something carried out at the Trust.</p>			
3. What fluid warmer(s) do you use to warm blood during transfusions (make and model, if known)?	The Trust has Fluido Compact Warmers from Central Medical Supplies			

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

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Yours faithfully

Information Governance Team

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