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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference:
Preoperative COCP

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.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1. Please indicate whether your trust has specific guidelines in relation to the preoperative management of the combined oral contraceptive pill. If your trust does not perform elective surgery, then select 'Not Applicable'	We do not have specific guidance about the management of the COCP			
2. What does your guideline advise on the preoperative management of the COCP? (A) Continue COCP, no VTE prophylaxis. (B) Continue COCP, additional VTE prophylaxis. (C) Suspend COCP. (D) None of the above. • If you only selected option A, no further information is required. • If you selected option B, go to Q3 • If you selected option C, go to Q4 • If you selected option D, go to Q5	We don't have a specific guideline for this. There is a national guideline but the management of the COCP is very procedure specific.			
3. What additional VTE prophylaxis does your guideline advise? please advise Yes/No, dosage, Preoperative duration (days), Postoperative duration (days) (A) LMWH (B) DOAC (C) Asprin (D) P2Y12 (E) Other	We don't have a specific guideline, but some consultants do stop the COCP and bridge it with LMWH when needed.			

4. Suspension - please advise for each Yes/No, Preoperative Suspension (days), Postoperative Suspension (days) (A) Preoperatively (B) Postoperatively	Information not available, no guideline specific to this NA.			
5. Please specify the advice in your trust's guideline.	No specific guideline for the COCP			
6. Does the advice that your guideline provides on the preoperative management of COCP depend on the procedure in any way?	We don't have a guideline, but the advice would be procedure specific if any consultant wished to stop the COCP prior to surgery			

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

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