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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013825 – Exposure to BBF during hip or knee operations

1. In 2015 and 2016 combined, what number of Health Care Workers reported an incidence of exposure to blood and body fluids (BBF) in theatre during a total hip or knee replacement?
2. In 2015 and 2016 combined, what number of Health Care Workers reported an incidence of exposure to BBF in theatre?

Questions 1 & 2 - Incidents are recorded on the Trust's incident reporting database, it does not however have the sub categories to run a report for the information requested.

3. What is the treatment for a Health Care workers with a reported incidence of exposure to BBF? -  
We see them as urgent immediately after a sharps or splash injury, counsel them, check their their Hep B status, check blood from pt is taken for (Blood Borne Virus) BBV testing and then chase results and inform the staff member, bleed staff member for storage, risk assess and keep under review until we know the results of the pt BBV status. Ensure Datix is being completed.

4. What is the average cost to treat a Health Care workers with a reported incidence of exposure to BBF?  
We are unable to answer as costs are not collected in this manner

5. What is the hospital surgical site infection rate (SSI) following a total hip replacement?  
- Please include patients who were found to have an SSI while an inpatient, as well as those who were readmitted to the hospital with an SSI following their operation.  
- the last quarter of surveillance undertaken was October to December 2016 and the rate was 0%

6. What is the hospital surgical site infection rate (SSI) at X hospital, following a total knee replacement?  
- Please include patients who were found to have an SSI while an inpatient, as well as those who were readmitted to the hospital with an SSI following their operation.-  
the last quarter of surveillance undertaken was July to September 2016 and the rate was 1.1%  
Please note - there is a requirement to undertake 1 module per year and there is a choice of modules for organisations to undertake. Therefore with regards to Q5 and Q6 this is the last time modules for these categories were undertaken.

7. What is the average cost for treating a patient who has an SSI following a total hip replacement?
8. What is the average cost for treating a patient who has an SSI following a total knee replacement?

Questions 7 & 8 - We are unable to answer as costs are not collected in this manner

9. Who is the hospital insurer for incidences such as SSI's or exposure to BBF?  
- The Trust is part of NHS Resolution scheme