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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/014043 – Number of episodes with selected coding (births)

I would like to make a new request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), asking for the number of episodes that, when coded, have been given a specific diagnosis/procedure code. This information is usually obtained from your coding department. I believe this should be electronically searchable, so should easily fall within time limits of the FOIA.

Request:

Between 1st October 2015 and 31st March 2018, please can you tell me the number of episodes from all hospitals in your trust that have been coded with:

1) Any diagnosis from the category Z38 (ie Z38.0 – Z38.8, I believe obtained by searching for Z38.X, but local procedures may vary). This diagnosis could be in any position, principle or secondary.

Explanation: This is looking at the number of live births in the time period in your trust.

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10,951 live births from coding.

2) The number of episodes from the results of part 1) that has also given the diagnosis code P39.9. This diagnosis could be in any position, principle or secondary.

Explanation: This is looking at the number of the above patients who were screened and treated for sepsis, without diagnosed bacteraemia.

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42 of the coded spells from Part 1.

3) The number of episodes from the results of part 1) that has also given a diagnosis from the category P36 (ie P36.0 – P36.9, I believe this is searched for by P36.X). This diagnosis could be in any position, principle or secondary.

Explanation: This is looking at the number of patients from part 1) who had a bacterial sepsis.

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913 of the coded spells from Part 1.

4) The number of episodes from the results of part 1), which also has the procedure code A55.8 or A55.9

Explanation: This is looking at the number of patients from part 1) who have had a lumbar puncture, an investigation for meningitis.

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61 of the coded spells from Part 1.

5) The number of episodes from the results of part 1), which also has any diagnosis from the category G00, G01, G02, or G03. These diagnoses could be in any position, principle or secondary

Explanation: This is looking at the number of patients from part 1) who actually were diagnosed with meningitis.

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11 of the coded spells from Part 1.

Notes to help complete request:

For each of 1) 2) 3) 4) and 5), you only need to provide one number for the number of episodes for each; they do not need to be broken down in to subcategories. If any of the answers is zero, please state as such (or state you do not hold any information on it). Kindly note this information is not publicly available from other sources, including NHS Digital.