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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am seeking information about the Intraoperative Neuromonitoring Services provided at the Trust.

Please provide me with the following information:

1-Details of the Intraoperative Neuromonitoring (IONM) services offered, including but not limited to:

- a. Types of surgeries or procedures for which IONM services are utilised.
- b. The specific conditions or indications that warrant IONM during surgeries.

2- Information about the referral process for patients requiring Intraoperative Monitoring Services, including how patients are assessed and referred for IOM.

3- Statistics or data on the utilisation of Intraoperative Neuromonitoring Services for the past two calendar years, broken down by year. This should include the total number of procedures involving IONM, as well as a breakdown of the types of surgeries or procedures.

4-Does the Trust currently engage with external agencies for the provision of intraoperative monitoring services? If yes, please provide details.

5-If external agencies are used for intraoperative monitoring, please provide the name(s) of the agency or agencies.

6-For the most recent fiscal year available, please provide the total expenditure or costs associated with engaging external agencies for intraoperative monitoring services. This may include any contractual fees, service charges, or other relevant costs.

7-The contact details of the individual or department responsible for overseeing the Intraoperative Monitoring Services at the Trust.

Response

The Trust is not a neurosurgical centre so we do not do any neurophysiological monitoring.

To see the services the Trust provides please go to the Trust website [Services & wards - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust \(dgft.nhs.uk\)](https://www.dgft.nhs.uk)

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

Information Commissioners Office
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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team
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