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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013083 – Dental treatment

For each institution within your trust that offers provision of dental treatment under general anaesthesia (eg. oral and maxillofacial departments, dental hospitals, community dental services), please provide the number of episodes of dental extraction performed under general anaesthesia (**GA**), **sedation**, and local anaesthesia (**LA**) for **adults** (18 years or older) and **children** (under 18 years) **between 1st October 2015 and 30th September 2016** in the following format:

Institution name & Trust name (One table for each institution)

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	Dental Procedure (Examples of codes below)	Number of episodes of dental extraction under GA	Number of episodes of dental extraction under sedation	Number of episodes of dental extraction under LA undertaken in Theatre only	Total episodes of dental extraction (Theatres and Outpatient settings)
Adults (18 years or older)	surgical removal of impacted wisdom tooth	98		21	142
	surgical removal of wisdom tooth NEC	282		90	434
	surgical removal of retained root of tooth	25		38	110
	unspecified surgical removal of tooth	0		0	0
	full dental clearance	10		5	18
	extraction of multiple teeth NEC	44		8	121
	unspecified simple extraction of tooth	32		21	130
	Any other codes for dental extraction	58		18	140
	Total number of EPISODES (If an episode was given more than one code, count this as one episode)	549		201	1095
Children (Under 18 years)	surgical removal of impacted wisdom tooth	1		0	1
	surgical removal of wisdom tooth NEC	9		0	10
	surgical removal of retained root of tooth	1		1	3
	unspecified surgical removal of tooth	1		0	1
	full dental clearance	0		0	0
	extraction of multiple teeth NEC	25		1	27
	unspecified simple extraction of tooth	18		0	22
	Any other codes for dental extraction	19		0	19
	Total number of EPISODES (If an episode was given more than one code, count this as one episode)	74		2	82
	GRAND TOTAL number of EPISODES	623		203	1177

As shown above, please provide the number of episodes for each code* used, and the total number of EPISODES (If an episode was given more than one code, count this as one episode).

*Dental extraction might have been coded into different terms depending on each institution’s coding system (e.g. surgical removal of impacted wisdom tooth, surgical removal of wisdom tooth NEC, surgical removal of retained root of tooth, unspecified surgical removal of tooth, full dental clearance, extraction of multiple teeth, unspecified simple extraction, etc).

Please note :- The Trust does not electronically record whether a patient undergoes sedation in addition to any local anaesthetic, therefore we are unable to provide figures on the use of sedation as a supplement or alternative to other methods of anaesthesia.

The GA and LA columns provided in the template contain Inpatient episode figures. The total episodes, which we have added as the final column of the information return, includes Outpatient attendances too. Anaesthetic details are not recorded electronically for Outpatient attendances, though the presumption would be that these procedures would not be performed under GA.