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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/011113

With reference to your FOI request that was received on 10/04/2012 in connection with 'Information on prone surgery'.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is enclosed.

Further information about your rights is also available from the Information Commissioner at:

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Yours sincerely

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How many operating theatres are there in the hospital? –

The Trust has 17 operating theatres. One of the operating theatres has no GA (General Anaesthetic) prone surgery undertaken, it only has LA (Local Anaesthetic)

Which theatres carry out prone surgery? –

General, Vascular, Plastics, Trauma and Orthopaedics carry out prone surgery

Is prone surgery carried out at different sites within the Trust? If yes, at which sites? –

Russells Hall Hospital and Corbett Hospital carry out prone Surgery.

Which equipment is used to support the patient's face during prone surgery? –

A Pillow or Peacocks disposable Wilson frame spinal pack is used to support the patient's face during prone surgery.

Which equipment is used to support the patient's chest during prone surgery? -

A Pillow or Wilson frame is used to support the patient's chest during prone surgery.

Which equipment is used to support the patient's legs during prone surgery? -

A Pillow, gel pads, or heels supports are used to support the patient's legs during prone surgery

Is a Wilson frame used or available for use during prone surgery? -

Yes, a Wilson frame is used or available for use during prone surgery

Who is the named lead clinician for prone positioning? -

The lead named clinician for prone Trauma and Orthopaedic positioning is Mr Ahmed. This is no named lead for other specialities

Who is the clinical educator/tutor for theatres and Intensive Care/Therapy Units(s)?-

There is no clinical educator/tutor for theatres and Intensive Care/Therapy Units

Who is/are the Theatre Manager(s) for the theatres that carry out prone surgery? -

The Theatre Manager is Lesley Ledington and there are four Specialty Managers for the individual theatres where prone surgery is undertaken

Who is the clinical director? -

Dr Sonkson is the Clinical Director