

Venous Thromboembolic Disease

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you provide an answer to the following:

- How many patients in your Trust had SNOMED CT code Venous Thromboembolic Disease: 429098002, included in their patient record during A) 2021, B) 2022, C) 2023.*

Site	Year	Num. of Spells with VTE coding as primary or secondary diagnoses (only ICD10 codes that are mapped to 429098002 SNOMED)
Northern	2021	14
	2022	67
	2023 (Jan-23 to Oct-23)	165
Eastern	2021	541
	2022	529
	2023 (Jan-23 to Oct-23)	576

- Does your Trust use the National Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) risk assessment tool? If no, does your Trust have its own risk assessment tool?*
- Who is responsible for the implementation of your Trust's VTE risk assessment tool?*
- What training do you have in place to ensure the adoption of the VTE risk assessment tool in clinical practice?*

The Trust can confirm that it holds information that you have requested in questions 2,3 and 4 a (above). This information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act because it is accessible to you. The information you requested can be accessed via the following link:

<https://www.royaldevon.nhs.uk/media/kpzl0llo/foi-rdf1310-23-thromboprophylaxis.pdf>

All Trust responses to Freedom of Information requests can be found at the following link:

<https://royaldevon.nhs.uk/about-us/information-governance/freedom-of-information-foi-and-environmental-information-regulations-eir/foi-disclosure-log/>

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act exempts disclosure of information that is accessible by other means. The terms of this exemption mean that the Trust does not have to consider whether it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.