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Endourology Procedures

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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).

I would like to request the number of procedures performed in 2022 at the Trust for the codes below. Could you please provide via email? M09.3 Endoscopic laser fragmentation of calculus of kidney M09.4 Endoscopic extraction of calculus of kidney NEC Includes:

- *Percutaneous nephrolithotomy NEC M27.1*
- *Ureteroscopic laser fragmentation of calculus of ureter M27.2*
- *Ureteroscopic fragmentation of calculus of ureter NEC M27.3*
- *Ureteroscopic extraction of calculus of ureter M27.4*
- *Ureteroscopic insertion of ureteric stent M65.4*
- *Endoscopic resection of prostate using laser*
- *As well as Q181, Q188 and Q189*

Procedure OPCS Code	Number performed at RDUH in 2022
M09.3	19
M09.4	7
M27.1	130
M27.2	9
M27.3	17
M27.4	87
M65.4	*<5
Q18.1	119
Q18.8	42
Q18.9	50

*<5

Please note that where activity is 5 or less than 5, the Trust is unable to provide the exact information. We consider the data exempt on the following grounds:

The Trust considers that disclosure of the information risks identifying individuals. The reason for this is that the number of patients for which this applies is very low. This and the fact that the data requested relates to the RDUH Health NHS Trust only and therefore relates to patients treated in a specific location (rather than covering a larger geographical area), increases the risk of identification or self-identification.

The Trust's view is that Section .40(2) of the Freedom of information Act is applicable because disclosure of information which could lead to a patient being identified would be a breach of the patient's rights under the Data Protection Act.