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Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

1. **Does your Trust currently have both an inpatient (day-case) pathway and an outpatient pathway for hysteroscopy?**
Yes.

2. **Currently, roughly what percentage of your Trust's hysteroscopies are done with an anaesthetist**
5.13% overall
 - a) **diagnostic?**
3.72%
 - b) **operative (e.g. polypectomy, myomectomy, endometrial ablation)?**
Therapeutic is 13.16%

3. **What is the current approximate waiting time in weeks for a patient who asks for a general anaesthetic, spinal anaesthetic or IV sedation with analgesia for hysteroscopy**
 - a) **under the 2 week wait as an urgent referral for suspected womb cancer?**
2-3 weeks
 - b) **not under the 2 week wait?**
4-6 weeks

4. **Has your Trust adopted, or is your Trust adopting the NHS Getting It Right First Time (Maternity & Gynaecology Report) targets of**
 - a) **90% diagnostic hysteroscopies to be done in outpatients?**
Yes.

b) 50% operative hysteroscopies to be done in outpatients?

Yes.

5. May I have a copy of the full range of pain scores obtained by your Trust in the BSGE 2019 outpatient hysteroscopy benchmarking survey?

The Trust only has a pain score survey for Outpatient endometrial ablations, not for all diagnostic and operative hysteroscopy procedures.

6. Is entonox or pentrox routinely available to all your outpatient hysteroscopy patients?

Yes.

7. Are local anaesthetic paracervical blocks routinely available in outpatients?

Yes.

8. Please may I see any audits of hysteroscopic procedures during the last 5 years?

The Trust have had three audits completed in the past five years, including February 2023, June 2022 and October 2019.

9. Are pain scores taken at all your outpatient hysteroscopy clinics?

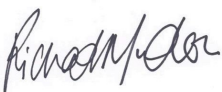
Not for all patients

10. Does your Trust have a Procedural Sedation Analgesia clinic for 'minor gynae' including hysteroscopy?

The Trust does not have Sedation Analgesia clinic for minor gynae procedures.

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Yours sincerely,



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