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Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

I wish to request the information about whether or not Gluing lip lesions can be carried out at Wigan.

The Trust do use glue (skin adhesive) to hold closed the surfaces of a deep cut. Its an alternative to the traditional process of suturing a deep cut.

However, such skin adhesives should only be used on the skin and not on mucous membranes (wet surfaces such as the inside of the mouth).

Closure of mouth wounds is often difficult. There are times when they must be sutured in order to hold the tissues together, but where that is not necessary we will often leave the lesion. We will not use skin adhesive (glue) to close such lesions.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Arya
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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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