Torbay and South Devon
NHS Foundation Trust

Email: foi.tsdft@nhs.net
Our Ref: TSD10221

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Dear Sir/Madam

Request for Information

We are writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information you requested.

A copy of the information is below:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request information regarding male reproductive health services provided by your Trust. Specifically, we are seeking details on services related to andrology, sperm storage, and male fertility.

Please could you provide answers to the following questions:

1. **Does your Trust operate a dedicated andrology or male fertility clinic?**
   No

2. **Are there any eligibility criteria that limit male patients' access to fertility treatment?**
   When seen as a couple the male Body Mass Index (BMI) would need to be under 35 for ovulation induction and under 30 if referring for Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) funded in vitro fertilisation (IVF).

3. **Does your Trust provide NHS-funded sperm storage?**
   No

4. **Does your Trust offer sperm analysis or testing services for men?**
   Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust does not conduct diagnostic semen analysis testing within its pathology or andrology laboratories. These tests are referred to Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust. Therefore, the Trust does not hold the information requested within the scope of your request.
   You may wish to submit your request directly to Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust does not conduct diagnostic semen analysis testing within its pathology or andrology laboratories. These tests are referred to Royal Devon

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You may wish to submit your request directly to Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust, who can be contacted at rduh.foi@nhs.net or by post:
Information Governance Office,
Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Foundation Trust,
Wonford Hospital, Barrack Road
Exeter,
Devon,
EX2 5DW

5. **Are there specialist male fertility clinicians or andrologists within your fertility teams?**
   No

6. **Are counselling services offered specifically for male patients regarding fertility issues?**
   No

7. **If you are unable to provide any counselling services, do you proactively signpost to other peer support or community services?**
   Patients are referred to their general practitioner or, if referred to another healthcare provider for in vitro fertilisation (IVF), counselling may be available from that provider.

If possible, please also provide any supporting documentation or policies relevant to the above services.

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If you wish to discuss any of the above, please contact us, quoting the FOI reference number above.

If you are unhappy with the way in which we have handled your request, please contact the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Lead in the first instance. If you wish to make a formal complaint, you should write to our Complaints Manager at Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust, First Floor Bowyer Building, Torbay Hospital, Torquay TQ2 7AA or by email to tsdft.feedback@nhs.net

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or the internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information

Commissioner will only make a decision once you have exhausted the complaints and/or internal review process provided by us. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or through this link https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Team