

FOI 3265

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

1. Wound Care Data Collection

- **Does your Health and Social Care (HSC) Trust collect or receive data on wound care, particularly for chronic wounds (e.g. leg ulcers, pressure ulcers, diabetic foot ulcers)?**

Response:

Yes, the SHSCT collects data on wound care including chronic wounds.

- **If not, are there plans to do so within the next 12months?**

Response:

Not applicable, as SHSCT already collects and receives data on wound care, including chronic wounds.

- **What specific data points are collected (e.g. wound type, healing time, product usage, care setting, clinical outcomes)?**

Response:

Information is collected on the wound type, category/stage, SINBAD score for diabetic foot wounds, referral sources, waiting times and patient numbers.

- **How is this data collected (e.g. electronic patient records, community health systems, audits)?**

Response:

The data is collected electronically through the Encompass system.

- **Is data collection standardised across providers within your HSC Trust footprint?**

Response:

Yes, the data collected is standardised.

2. Data Usage and Sharing

- **For what purposes is wound care data used?**

Response:

The information is used for service provision and planning, to inform commissioning of new services and for education and learning purposes. It is also used for audit purposes to ensure patient safety and quality.

- **Is this data shared outside your organisation (e.g. NHS England, research bodies, suppliers)? If yes, under what governance or agreements?**

Response:

This data is shared with the Strategic Planning and Performance Group as required for commissioned services, Public Health agency (PHA) and the Department of Health (DOH).

3. Technology and Digital Systems

- **What digital systems or platforms are currently used for recording and managing wound care data (e.g. EMIS, SystemOne, bespoke solutions)?**

Response:

Encompass and Datix are used as the digital systems for recording and managing wound care data.

- **Are there any current or upcoming digital transformation initiatives focused on wound care?**

Response:

Wound care has been considered through the build process for Encompass and therefore this has been included within this current digital transformation.

4. Spend and Commissioning

- **Does your HSC Trust hold data on spend related to wound care (e.g. dressings, devices, service delivery)?**

Response:

There is no specific data held in relation to spend related to wound care.

- **Are wound care services commissioned centrally by the HSC Trust or delegated to place or provider level?**

Response:

Wound care services are commissioned by the SPPG and delivered centrally by the SHSCT.

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