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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 2nd January 2020. Your request sought information relating to tonsillectomy procedures.

1. Does your Health Board/hospital(s) offer Tonsillectomy Surgery which is undertaken in the Health Board?

Yes

If the answer no, the FOI request ends here. Please just notify me that your trust / hospital(s) does not undertake this surgery.

If yes, please answer the following questions:

2. a) Do surgeons in your Health Board/hospital(s) perform tonsillectomy surgery on children (under 16 years of age)?

Yes

b) If the answer to 2a is 'yes', do they provide patients/parents of patients in this age group with an information sheet relating to their operation?

Yes

c) If the answer to 2b is 'yes' please, as well as completing these question, also send me a copy of the information sheet that is provided, even if it is only sometimes given to patients/parents.

See Appendix 1



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3. a) Do surgeons in your Health Board/hospital(s) perform tonsillectomy surgery on young adults and adults (16 years and over)?

Yes

b) If the answer to 3a is 'yes', do they provide patients in this age group with an information sheet relating to their operation?

Yes

c) If the answer to 3b is 'yes' please, as well as completing these question, also send me a copy of the information sheet that is provided, even if it is only sometimes given to patients (unless the same sheet given to both children/parents and to adult patients in which case please make that clear in your answer and just provide that sheet.)

See Appendix 2

4. What advice is usually given to a) Children and b) Young Adults/Adults regarding diet immediately after tonsillectomy (i.e. for approximately the first week or so post-surgery.

For both children and adults, the advice given regarding diet post-surgery is that they should eat and drink normally (patients will not be discharged until they can do this.)

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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Yours sincerely



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