

Ref: 24-564

Freedom of Information Request

25 July 2024

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

I would like to know the styles and sizes of pessary's you offer in Outpatients. We offer a variety of styles and sizes. These include rigid as well as silicone pessaries.

Rigid pessaries – ring and gelhorn.

Our selection of silicone pessaries include:

- Cube
- Cup
- Dish
- Donut
- Marland
- Gellhorn (inc short sterm)
- Ring (with/without support)
- Ring with knob
- Shaatz

Sizes range from 44mm up to 102mm.

Do you have a specific nurse led clinic? Or are they fitted by Doctors?

We have a specialist pessary nurse, and she sees the majority of our pessary patients and has clinic at St Michael's Hospital, South Bristol Community Hospital and Weston General Hospital each week. However, we also have a consultant pessary service lead, and she will also see complex pessary patients (as will other consultants in the team) where required – in Weston Hospital and at St Michael's Hospital.

How many Women do you currently have on regular follow up?

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This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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