

**Re: 5882 - hymen replacement operations**

Date: 14 March 2019

Having reviewed your further request and the data that we have available, I am still of the opinion that sharing details, albeit as ' $\leq 5$ ' will still present the opportunity for individuals to be identified where data is combined with other information. This is because the numbers are very low in the data sets reported.

That said, I have provided a response for the complete period, ie 2014-2018 only. No further breakdown of year, ethnicity, religion or age has been provided for the reason explained above and previously. For reference, your original request and our response have been included.

**Request and response**

1. How many hymen replacement operations were carried out females aged 18 and under. Please break this down by annual year and if possible state the age, religion and ethnicity of the patients.  
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2. How many females aged 18 and under have had labiaplasty operations or any other procedures that enhance/improve/ alter the appearance of their genitals. This should include any region surrounding the woman's labia and vagina. Please break this down by annual year and if possible state the age, religion and ethnicity of the patients.  
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3. How many males aged 18 and under have had operations to improve/ enhance/ alter the appearance of their penis/ genitals and/or the area surrounding them. Please break this down by annual year and if possible state the age, religion and ethnicity of the patients.  
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**Original request and response**

I would like this information broken down ANNUALLY for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

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3. How many males aged 18 and under have had operations to improve/ enhance/ alter the appearance of their penis/ genitals and/or the area surrounding them. Please break this down by annual year and if possible state the age, religion and ethnicity of the patients.



*We have carefully considered your request for the above information. However, if a request is made for information and the total figure amounts to five people or fewer, the Trust must consider whether this could lead to the identification of individuals and whether disclosure of this information would be in breach of our statutory obligations under the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA).*

*We believe that the release of this information would risk identification of the individuals concerned as the numbers by year, and for the total period, for each of the questions above are very low. We are therefore not obliged, under section 40(2) of the FOIA, to provide this information. The terms of this exemption in the FOIA mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.*