NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 14 June 2019.

NHS Tayside wishes to advise you that there are exemptions applicable to the information requested. Please refer to the exemptions section of this correspondence.

Extract from Request

1. “How many nurses within the NHS Tayside’s footprint working in community settings, primary care and the acute sector have been trained to provide training for patients on the use of intermittent self-catheterisation (ISC)?

2. How many nurses within the NHS Tayside’s footprint working in community settings, primary care and the acute sector have the competencies to train patients in the use of intermittent self-catheterisation (ISC)?”

Response

1. Within NHS Tayside, the urology specialist nurse team are all trained to teach ISC, the urology gynaecology nurses are also trained as is the MS nurse practitioner. The urology ward nurse team are either trained or have an awareness of ISC. In the acute sector, nurses from all disciplines will refer patients to the urology team for consideration of training for ISC and follow up as required. In primary care, the continence specialist nurses are trained or have an awareness of ISC and will refer onwards to the urology specialist nurse team. There are also some district nurses who will teach ISC (although this number is low and again most patients are referred to the urology specialist nurse team).

2. NHS Tayside is unable to give number for this as there is no record held and there is no specific training for ISC through clinical skills. All training is carried out through appraisal and specific to individual roles. It is also recognised in NHS Tayside urinary catheterisation guidelines.


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Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commission.

A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and sent to:

Head of Information Governance
Maryfield House (South)
30 Mains Loans
Dundee
DD4 7BT

Or by email to informationgovernance.tayside@nhs.net

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews, Fife
KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: www.itstopublicknowledge.info/Appeal

If you have any queries about this correspondence, please contact:

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