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REQUEST

Under the Freedom of Information Act I am requesting the information below with regards to Whiston Hospital;

1. In 2015 and 2016 combined, what **number** of Health Care Workers reported an incidence of exposure to blood and body fluids (BBF) in theatre during a **total hip or knee replacement**?
2. In 2015 and 2016 combined, what **number** of Health Care Workers reported an incidence of exposure to BBF in theatre?
3. What is the **treatment** for a Health Care workers with a reported incidence of exposure to BBF?
4. What is the **average cost** to **treat** a Health Care workers with a reported incidence of exposure to BBF?
5. What is the hospital **surgical site infection rate** (SSI) following a total **hip** replacement?
 - Please include patients who were found to have an SSI while an inpatient, as well as those who were readmitted to the hospital with an SSI following their operation.
6. What is the hospital **surgical site infection rate** (SSI) at X hospital, following a total **knee** replacement?
 - Please include patients who were found to have an SSI while an inpatient, as well as those who were readmitted to the hospital with an SSI following their operation.

7. What is the **average cost** for treating a patient who has an SSI following a total **hip** replacement?
8. What is the **average cost** for treating a patient who has an SSI following a total **knee** replacement?
9. Who is the hospital insurer for incidences such as SSI's or exposure to BBF?

RESPONSE

1. In 2015 and 2016 combined Health Care Workers reported an incidence of exposure to blood and body fluids (BBF) in theatre during a **total hip or knee replacement? 0**
2. In 2015 and 2016 combined, Health Care Workers reported an incidence of exposure to BBF in theatre? **0**
3. **There is a policy for the treatment** of a Health Care workers with a reported incidence of exposure to BBF?
4. What is the **average cost** to **treat** a Health Care workers with a reported incidence of exposure to BBF? **This is difficult to assess as it would depend on the risk of the exposure**
5. What is the hospital **surgical site infection rate** (SSI) following a total **hip** replacement? **Please see chart below**
 - Please include patients who were found to have an SSI while an inpatient, as well as those who were readmitted to the hospital with an SSI following their operation.
6. What is the hospital **surgical site infection rate** (SSI) at X hospital, following a total **knee** replacement? **Please see chart below**
 - Please include patients who were found to have an SSI while an inpatient, as well as those who were readmitted to the hospital with an SSI following their operation.

Hip and Knee infection April 2010 – March 2017

Under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act St Helens & Knowsley Teaching Hospitals Trust do not have to provide information to the applicant which is easily accessible by other means. This information you require can be viewed via the Trusts new publicationScheme at –

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/surgical-site-infections-ssi-surveillance-nhs-hospitals-in-england>