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Major Haemorrhage Protocol

I am writing to request, under the Freedom of Information request, if you can confirm you have a Major Haemorrhage Protocol or equivalent protocol currently in place at Royal Victoria Hospital.

Further to my initial question, please provide:

- The latest version of the major haemorrhage protocol or equivalent protocol used in trauma, obstetrics and surgical settings.
- Any supporting clinical guidelines or SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) related to the management of major bleeding, including transfusion thresholds, use of blood products including coagulation factor concentrates, and escalation pathways.
- If available, any audit data or review outcomes related to the implementation or effectiveness of the protocol.

If different protocols are used across departments (e.g., trauma, obstetrics, haematology), I would be grateful if these could be included or referenced.

The Massive Transfusion Policy, Paediatric Massive Transfusion Policy and Management of Major Primary Postpartum Haemorrhage are all currently under review. It has been out once for consultation with the Hospital Transfusion Committee and will be going on for a second consultation based on feedback from the first consultation.

The attachments are the protocols which are currently being used, we have attached:

- Massive Transfusion Policy
- Paediatric Massive Transfusion Policy
- Management of Major Primary Postpartum Haemorrhage
- ROTEM Pathway v2
- Blood Transfusion Manual: Policy, Procedures and Guidelines