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## Hospital-level Activity Data

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information act. I am seeking hospital-level activity data within your health authority, as outlined below.

### Dataset 1: ICD-10 Diagnosis Data

For each hospital, please provide:

- From 2022 up to the latest data available, preferably by calendar year
- Primary (first) diagnosis ICD-10 codes (three or more characters), chapters A–Q only, including patients outsourced to the private sector
- Number of cases per ICD-10 code
- Hospital name and postcode

### Dataset 2: Procedures / Surgery Data

For each hospital, please provide:

- From 2022 up to the latest data available, preferably by calendar year
- Primary procedure OPCS codes, all chapters, including patients outsourced to the private sector
- Number of cases per OPCS code
- Hospital name and postcode

With regard to case numbers for both ICD-10 and OPCS data, we recognise that disclosure controls may apply where case numbers are fewer than five. In such instances, please indicate the value as “<5” or similar format, depending on your small-case policy.

Belfast Health and Social Care Trust’s response to these questions is set out in the Excel spreadsheet attached.

**Use of <5 (less than five):** We are unable to provide an exact figure - exempt from release under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act - Personal Information relating to a third party, as the small numbers involved could make patients personally identifiable.

Disclosure would constitute a breach of the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation 2018.