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Nephrectomy patients

The Trust is not able to obtain the full complement of data required easily from a review of DATIX information for questions 2 to 4. See below response with the information that we do have access to:

- How many nephrectomy patients has the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust dealt with in the past 10 years? Please provide data for each year separately.**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
P (Nephrectomy)	57	66	50	22	17	11	39	55	62	99
T (Nephrectomy)	114	96	138	105	117	94	99	82	105	104
Grand Total	171	162	188	127	134	105	138	137	167	203

- How many nephrectomy patients have incurred laceration to their gonadal artery during a nephrectomy in the past 10 years? Please provide data for each year separately.**

There were <5 cases of gonadal injury noted, both occurring in 2019.

- How many nephrectomy patients have incurred laceration to their spleen during a nephrectomy which has required a splenectomy in the past 10 years? Please provide data for each year separately.**

There has been no cases of spleen injury noted.

- How many nephrectomy patients have passed away as a result of incurring unplanned lacerations in the past 10 years? Please provide data for each year separately.**

There is record of <5 open nephrectomy patients that passed away in 2023 due to a laceration.

We are unable to provide an exact figure where numbers are very low. To provide this level of information would reduce numbers to discoverable limits where individuals could be identifiable. This is exempt from release under section 40(2) Personal Information relating to a third party, of the FOI Act. This information would be unfair to the individuals to release this information. Disclosure would constitute a breach of the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018.