

Friday 27 June 2025

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on Wednesday 18 June 2025. I am pleased to confirm the following.

I am writing to ask for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I want to request the current antibiotic guidelines used within your Trust for orthopaedic patients undergoing treatment for:

1. ***Open fractures***
2. ***Closed trauma***
3. ***Elective orthopaedic surgery*** (e.g., joint replacement, planned internal fixation)

For each category, please provide the following:

Open Fractures

- *First-line antibiotic(s)*
- *Second-line antibiotic(s) (e.g., for penicillin allergy or other contraindications)*
- *Number of doses and dosing schedule (e.g., once, 8-hourly for 24 hours, etc.)*

Closed Trauma Surgery

- *First-line antibiotic(s)*
- *Second-line antibiotic(s)*
- *Number of doses and dosing schedule*

Elective Orthopaedic Surgery

- *First-line prophylactic antibiotic(s)*
- *Second-line options (for allergy/MRSA risk)*
- *Number of doses and timing (e.g., single dose at induction, repeat dose if surgery >2 hours, etc.)*

Please see the attached document which provides this detail.

If you are unhappy with the information received in response to this request, please address your complaint to the Patient Affairs Office at Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Standing Way, Eaglestone, Milton Keynes MK6 5LD

If, after exhausting our internal process, you are still unhappy with the information received, you may write to the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team Lead
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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'Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations' and best practice.