

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 18 February 2020.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

We are conducting a research project exploring the epidemiology and management of patellofemoral instability. As such we would be grateful if you could provide us with the following information under the Freedom of Information Act, relating to the codes used in your hospital to document this condition and its treatment:

ICD10

S83.0 – Dislocation of patella

M22.0 – Recurrent dislocation of patella

M23.5 – chronic instability of knee (may have been used for patella instability)

M22.8 – Other disorders of patella (may have been used for patella instability)

There is no directly indexable code or local policy for patella instability, hence the potential for different coders to use different codes.

OPCS

W78.3 – Release of contracture of knee joint (lateral release)

W77.5 – with site code of Z76.5 = Trochleoplasty. With site code of Z77.4 = Tibial tubercle osteotomy.

O27.1 – Extra-articular ligament reconstruction for stabilisation of joint – with site code of Z77.4 (patellofemoral joint) for MPFL reconstruction. Although, coders may have used Z84.6 (knee joint) as the site code.

W77.8 – Other specified stabilising operation on joint - Proximal realignment. Site codes that may have been used are Z77.4, Z84.6 or Z78.7.

W32.2/W32.5/W32.6 – each code is a different type of allograft. Site codes that may have been used are Z77.4

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

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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