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Dear Sir or Madam,

Ref: FOI 2577

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Kawasaki disease.

The Trust can provide the following information:

Q1 Please can you advise what action has been taken by your Trust in response to the Patient Safety Alert on Kawasaki Disease, issued on 11 May 2016?

The actions the Trust takes in response to the Patient Safety Alert on Kawasaki are as follows:

1. Once identified it was sent to Interim Head of Patient Safety who identified who should lead on it.
2. Emailed to leads, one in paediatrics and one in Emergency Department.
3. Paediatrics responded that they had a policy and would discuss it at various team and divisional meetings.
4. The Emergency department highlighted the issue in their newsletter and discussed at meetings. The NPSA was discussed at the ED Consultant's meeting (Emergency Department and Paediatric Emergency Medicine attend). The NPSA will be discussed (already on agenda) for the next Emergency Department Clinical Quality group discussion
5. Alert closed as actions related to raising the issue and ensuring processes were in place.

Q2 Can you confirm for your Trust, if:

- a) All current and past patients with giant coronary artery aneurysms resulting from Kawasaki Disease have been identified and made aware of the Patient Safety Alert**
- b) Current and past patients with existing or resolved coronary artery aneurysms resulting from Kawasaki Disease have all been identified and notified of the Patient Safety Alert**
- c) You have recalled these past Kawasaki Disease patients seen in the organisation, for assessment and given Patient Specific Protocols where needed**

We do not have paediatric cardiology at Homerton Hospital. Patients diagnosed with Kawasaki disease are referred to Great Ormond Street hospital Cardiology Department for ECHO scans. They arrange follow up if they identify coronary aneurysms. We are not always informed of the outcome and for this reason we do not have a database of children who had Kawasaki Disease and coronary artery aneurysms. However if we receive a letter from a tertiary hospital, the information on acute and chronic problems they diagnosed is recorded in our system. If such a child or young person attends Emergency Department, the previous problems/medical history will be seen by the admitting doctor.

Q3 Please can you advise what response your Trust, on receiving the Alert, gave?

Please refer to question 1 above.

Q4 Are the 2013 Kawasaki Disease Management Guidelines; Management of Kawasaki Disease; D Eleftheriou, M Levin, D Shingadia, R Tulloh, NJ Klein, PA Brogan, actively implemented within your Trust? (You can download the document here: <http://www.societi.org.uk/resources.html>)

Our Kawasaki disease management guideline was written in 2010 and updated in 2013. Additionally we always liaise with a tertiary centre (usually Great Ormand Street Hospital) when we have a patient diagnosed with Kawasaki Disease. The Trust is aware of the **Kawasaki Disease Management Guidelines** published in 2014 and is currently in the process of re-writing the Trust guidelines in the light of this latest publication.

Q5 For your Trust, listing data sets individually, please provide, per calendar year for the period 2006 to 2016 inclusive, the following information:

Number of admissions of acute Kawasaki Disease
Month of case admission
Patient gender
Patient ethnicity
Age of patient at diagnosis
First four items of patient postcode (partial postcode which is non-identifiable)

Please refer to the attached spread sheet.

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Yours sincerely

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