

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

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Subject

GIDS Clinical Trials and Parental Consent to Drugs Administration

Details of enquiry

Under the freedom of information act I request access to the reports of the clinical trials, that you carried out before administering puberty blockers to children under 16 and subsequent reports on the effectiveness, side affects and evidence of the claims you make about full reversibility of these drugs.

I would also like confirmation that both parents must give consent before any such drugs can be prescribed to my child who is currently 12 years old.

Response Sent

Please find links below to information regarding clinical trials requested (reports on the effectiveness, side effects and evidence of the claims you make about full reversibility of these drugs).

<http://gids.nhs.uk/evidence-base>

<https://adc.bmj.com/content/104/6/509>

For young people under the age of 16 years we would work to involve both parents in any decision about a referral to the endocrine clinic. This is done on a case by case basis as there may be circumstances where it is not possible or appropriate to involve both parents in the decision to refer to clinic. In a FOI we cannot comment on specific cases but any parent of a young person on the waiting list can telephone the service for more information as appropriate.

We hope you find this information helpful. We appreciate you are a father of a young person on our waiting list, but unfortunately we are not able to address anything about your case within the scope of the Freedom of Information Act as this is information that is released into the public domain. If you would like to discuss your child's case with our clinical team, please email the same email address used without citing the Freedom of Information Act for this to be treated as a clinical query.