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Subject: Surgical video recording

Q1 Are surgical procedures routinely recorded in your trust?

A1 No

Q2 What percentage of Consultant Surgeons routinely record their surgical procedures in your trust?

A2 Information not held – no surgeons routinely record their surgical procedures

Q3 What platform/software is used in your trust to a) record and b) store surgical video recordings (if different)? Please provide the name(s), manufacturer(s), and annual cost(s) of the platform/software used by your trust

A3 Please note, although surgical procedures are not routinely recorded, they may be recorded on an ad-hoc basis in specific circumstances or for specific reasons.

a) Name: Esaturnus is used to record any videos/photos.
Manufacture: Sony
Annual Cost: £36,172.00

b) The Trust's Picture Archiving and Communication (PACS), system stores the images and only small videos
Manufacture: Philips Healthcare
Annual Cost: £96,526.93

Q4 Does your trust store surgical video recordings on NHS computer systems or does it use a third-party product?

A4 Both.

Recordings are stored on the Trusts' Picture Archiving and Communication System as well and on the Aida system, which is part of the Storz system.

Q5 Does your trust limit how long surgical video recordings can be stored for?

A5 No

Q6 Are patients undergoing surgical procedures asked explicitly for consent to record their procedure a) as part of their routine care or b) in an additional consent process?

A6 Additional consent would be required

- Q7 Does the consent to record the procedure explicitly include permission to use the recording for non-clinical purposes (e.g. education, research)?
- A7 When consent is obtained the purpose of the consent and where it will be used is always confirmed and agreed with the patient/parent
- Q8 Are there policies for Consultant Surgeons accessing/using their procedural recordings in your trust? If yes, please supply a copy of your policy.
- A8 Information not held – there is no direct policy in place as this fall under the information governance framework.
- If the surgeon would like to use the images/films outside of the patients notes they would need to follow the medical photography policy.
- Q9 Are there policies for Patients accessing/using their procedural recordings in your trust? If yes, please supply a copy of your policy.
- A9 Information not held - patients would need to submit a Subject Access Request in writing to our Access to Health Records Team for access to medical records.
- Q10 Are procedural recordings used for non-clinical purposes (e.g. education, research) in your trust?
- A10 Yes
- Q11 Does your trust have a governance policy for the a) recording, b) use, and/or c) storage of surgical video recordings? If yes, please supply a copy of your policy.
- A11 No