**FOI Ref: 6592**

**Category(ies): Clinical - Drugs**

**Subject: Medication used in Total Joint Replacement**

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| **Your request:** | **Our response:** |
| I would like to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).  I would like to know more about the medications used during the course of total hip and knee replacement surgery by your Orthopaedic & Anaesthetic teams. | |
| Please can you complete the attached proforma to provide information regarding your trust’s current policies/protocols for this type of surgery. |  |
| Alternatively, if your trust has a specific guideline or policy that answers the questions listed then I am happy for you to provide a copy/excerpt from that instead. | The Trusts antimicrobial policy covers antibiotic prophylaxis in arthroplasty.    There is a separate SOP for day case total hip/knee arthroplasty and one for UKR      Thromboprophylaxis is prescribed after risk assessment and follows NICE guidance: [Venous thromboembolism in over 16s: reducing the risk of hospital-acquired deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism (nice.org.uk)](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng89/resources/venous-thromboembolism-in-over-16s-reducing-the-risk-of-hospitalacquired-deep-vein-thrombosis-or-pulmonary-embolism-pdf-1837703092165) |