

Ref: UHB 19-546

Freedom of Information Request

10 September 2019

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

Q1. Please write below what you use for manual coding (e.g., ICD 10 2016) and which computer programme you use on a clinical discharge summary for HES statistics.

ICD10 is used for the clinical coding of diagnoses and it is applied manually by a team of clinical coders by means of a software package. It is used in HES statistics. The software package is not used to automatically assign codes. The clinical coding team's senior audit lead has provided the codes for the conditions outlined below.

Manual: ICD-10 (2016). Programme: N/A.

Q2. Please tell us how you would code the following diseases. If you have a computer programme for coding, please code it manually and with the programme. Please include all relevant information (e.g., Multiple possible codes depending on context).

Codes are always looked up manually and inputted to the computer so there wouldn't be any difference between computer or manual codes

Disease	ICD 10 coding
Progressive Supranuclear Palsy	G23.1
Multiple system atrophy	G23.2
Corticobasal syndrome	G31.9 (unable to index this condition so this is a best fit
	code)
Corticobasal degeneration	G31.8

Q3. Please indicate whether any of the clinical coding was different before 2016.

The Trust has used the same codes throughout the use of ICD10 (which has been in use since 2010) so this is the same answer as question 2

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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