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Requested

Regarding the management of patients with fractures of the proximal femur (hip fractures) requiring operative intervention;

Do you have an established, written protocol regarding the management of patients on oral anticoagulation medications prior to surgery?

What is your protocol regarding the management of patients on oral anticoagulation medications prior to surgery?

Specifically, for patients on Direct Oral Anticoagulation (DOAC) or Novel Oral Anticoagulation (NOAC) medications what is your protocol regarding reversal or delay to theatre?

Response

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) has provided copies of the protocols requested as Attachments 1, 2 and 3.

The UHB has withheld the name of the Consultant Orthogeriatrician who authored Attachment 3. This decision has been made as it is not within the expectations of these individuals that their personal data would be put into the public domain. This information is classed as personal data of third parties and is therefore being withheld in accordance with section 40 (2) of the FOI by virtue of section 40 (3) (a) (i) which permits a public authority to withhold personal data other than the requester's where the disclosure would breach a Data Protection Principle.

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