



Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_294_25

You asked:

We are conducting a **national study** to assess the variation in prices paid by hospitals or trusts for three commonly used trauma and orthopaedic implants. The aim is to analyse the data and publish anonymised results to support transparency and potentially inform cost-effective procurement across the NHS.

As one of the 169 hospitals/trusts listed in the National Hip Fracture Database 2024, we would be grateful if you could treat this as a Freedom of Information request and provide the following details for a 12-month period:

A. Dynamic Hip Screw (DHS)

Procedure: Internal fixation of hip fractures using a sliding hip screw system (commonly extracapsular, but may include other fracture types, intracapsular).

1. What is the most commonly used implant for this procedure at your hospital?

Synthes LCP DHS Plate & Screws.

2. Approximately how many of these procedures were performed in a 12-month period?

Patients admitted between 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024 for the Health Board 215 procedures were carried out.

3. What is the average implant cost per patient during that period?

£200.

B. Short Intramedullary Femoral Nail

Procedure: Internal fixation of femoral fractures using a short intramedullary nail (e.g. for unstable intertrochanteric or subtrochanteric fractures).

4. What is the most commonly used implant for this procedure?

Synthes Short TFNA.

5. Approximately how many of these procedures were performed in a 12-month period?

Patients admitted between 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024 for the Health Board 311 procedures were carried out.

6. What is the average implant cost per patient during that period?

£800.

C. Distal Radius ORIF (Plate and Screws)

Procedure: Open reduction and internal fixation of distal radius fractures.

7. What is the most commonly used plate implant for this procedure?

Zimmer Biomet DVR.

8. Approximately how many of these procedures were performed in a 12-month period?

Patients admitted between 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024 for the Health Board 227 procedures were carried out.

9. What is the average implant cost per patient during that period?

£650.00.