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Dear,

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 241106.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below and the attached documents:

I am following up on my initial FOI request (reference 240512). You indicated that clinicians in your Trust administer the following medications under a Patient Group Direction (PGD):

- Codeine Phosphate
- Naproxen

Could you please provide a copy of the current PGD for each of these medications?

Please see attached.

- PGD-PP015a Naproxen v3.00 Fol
- PGD-PP015d Codeine Phosphate v2.00 Fol

Additionally, for the period from October 2022 to October 2024, could you provide the following information regarding each of these medications, ideally presented in tables where applicable:

- 1. Medication Errors or Adverse Drug Reactions
  The number of recorded medication errors or adverse drug reactions for each medication.
- 2. Risk Scores

The final risk scores assigned to each medication error or adverse reaction, based on the NHS risk scoring matrix. For each error or reaction, could you also provide:

- The consequence (severity) score, e.g., 1 (insignificant), 2 (minor),
   3 (moderate), etc.
- The domain impacted, such as patient safety, staff safety, quality,
   etc.

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3. Brief Summary of Errors or Reactions
A short description of the nature of each medication error or adverse reaction (e.g., incorrect medication administered, wrong dose, wrong quantity, adverse drug reaction, allergic reaction, etc.).

Our PGDs are for supply of these medicines, not administration at the point of care. Therefore, we do not receive any notification back to SECAmb if the patient subsequently develops an adverse reaction from self-administering the medicine.

There are no records of medication errors relating to the supply of these two medicines under the specified PGDs on file.

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I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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