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Dear Requester,

FOI 1624

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

ANALGESIA		
1. What analgesic agents are offered per the trust’s protocol/standard practice for joint replacement surgery (beyond simple analgesia like paracetamol/codeine)? <i>Please detail dosage and route of administration.</i>		
Preoperatively	Intraoperatively	Post-operatively
Gabapentin	Ketamine Diamorphine 5mg first choice Morphine 10mg inj If general anaesthesia fentanyl and morphine If spinal preservative free morphine spinal. On both paracetamol +- NSAID	Oxycodone Gabapentin tds for three days Oxycontin / Morphine modified release PRN Oxycontin /Morphine Paracetamol +- NSAIDs
ANTI-INFLAMMATORY		
2. What Anti-inflammatory agents are offered per the trust’s protocol/standard practice for joint replacement surgery (beyond simple agents like ibuprofen)? <i>Please detail dosage and route of administration.</i>		
Preoperatively	Intraoperatively	Post-operatively

None unless GP prescribes or orthopaedic surgeons request then I would prescribe naproxen.	+/- Dexamethasone paracetamol +/- NSAID	ibuprofen
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ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS

3. What antibiotic/antimicrobial agents are offered per the trust's protocol/standard practice for joint replacement surgery?

Please detail dosage and route of administration.

Preoperatively	Intraoperatively	Post-operatively
Teicoplanin on induction MRSA treatment if positive, or previous criteria or fit criteria	Teicoplanin or Vancomycin Gentamicin	Depends if infected and on micro advice. For revision Teicoplanin 3 doses used

4. Does this differ between primary and revision joint replacement surgery?

See above

Revision may have further doses of antibiotic (Teicoplanin every 12 hours 2 doses)

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Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer

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