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I am responding to your request for information received 7 August 2025. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding nurse-led patient consent processes within endoscopy services at your Trust.
Specifically, I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

Question 1: Do nurses working in endoscopy obtain patient consent for procedures?
If yes, please confirm whether this applies to all types of endoscopic procedures or only specific ones.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:
Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide endoscopy procedure services. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: What Agenda for Change (AfC) band are the nurses who undertake consent discussions and obtain patient consent in endoscopy settings?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 3: Could you provide details of the competency framework, training requirements, or internal policies that support nurses in undertaking the consent process?
If available, please supply any relevant competency documentation or a summary of the training and assessment process.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 4: Could you provide a copy of the consent form used, or a redacted example/template, showing the sections completed by nursing staff when obtaining consent?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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To advise, Trust staff for all relevant treatments follow the Trust's Consent to Treatment policy, please see this at the following link:

https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2025-07/consent_to_treatment_policy_6.0.docx



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