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Dear Sir or Madam,

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 17/02/2022. Please see responses to your requests below.

1. How is virgo intacta assessed?

Virgo intacta is assessed by Trust staff asking the patient.

2. What is the reasoning for virgo intacta being a contraindication for trans-vaginal ultrasounds?

The reason to avoid transvaginal ultrasound in women who have never had sex is to avoid potential discomfort or distress to the patient. It is not an absolute contraindication.

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information, please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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