



Ref: FOIA Reference 2020/21-467

Date: 25th January 2021

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 9th September 2020 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding prescribing in Rheumatology.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 Could you please provide the numbers of patients treated by the rheumatology department (for any condition) in the last 3 months with the following drugs:

- Abatacept [Orencia]
- Adalimumab [Humira]
- Adalimumab Biosimilars
- Apremilast [Otezla]
- Baricitinib [Olumiant]
- Certolizumab [Cimzia]
- Etanercept [Enbrel]
- Etanercept Biosimilars
- Filgotinib [Jyseleca]
- Golimumab [Simponi]
- Infliximab [Remicade]
- Infliximab Biosimilars
- Ixekizumab [Taltz]
- Rituximab [MabThera]
- Rituximab Biosimilars
- Sarilumab [Kevzara]
- Secukinumab [Cosentyx]
- Tocilizumab [Ro Actemra]
- Tofacitinib [Xeljanz]
- Upadacitinib [Rinvoq]
- Ustekinumab [Stelara]

A1 As per our response to your FOI request reference 222-2021 responded to you on 29th September 2020 UHNM does not treat rheumatology patients. We advise you to update your records.

A copy of your previous FOI request is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link:

<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/regulatory-information/freedom-of-information-publication-scheme/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log/>

Q2 Could you please provide the numbers of patients treated for Ankylosing Spondylitis ONLY in the last 3 months with the following drugs?

- Adalimumab [Humira]
- Adalimumab Biosimilars
- Certolizumab [Cimzia]
- Etanercept [Enbrel]
- Etanercept Biosimilars
- Golimumab [Simponi]
- Infliximab [Remicade]
- Infliximab Biosimilars
- Ixekizumab [Taltz]
- Secukinumab [Cosentyx]

A2 As answer 1.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

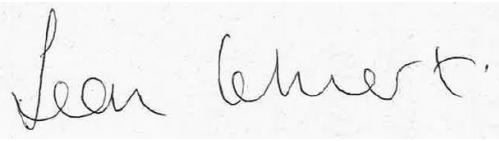
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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