

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/20/240
Neurosurgical Procedures

Request details

Please could you provide the following information:

- 1. The number of neurosurgical procedures where CSF sealants have been used in the in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.**

Examples of CSF sealants:

- Tisseel™ (Baxter)
- DuraSeal® (Integra)
- DuraSeal® Xact (Integra)
- Evicel™ (J&J)
- TachoSil® (J&J)
- Adherus® (Stryker)
- Adherus® Autospray ET (Styrker)
- TissuePatchDural™ (Tissuemed)
- Liqoseal® (Polyganics, Distributed by Seven Healthcare Technologies)

- 2. The number of spinal procedures where CSF sealants have been used in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.**

Examples of CSF sealants:

- Tisseel™ (Baxter)
- DuraSeal® (Integra)
- DuraSeal® Xact (Integra)
- Evicel™ (J&J)
- TachoSil® (J&J)
- Adherus® (Stryker)
- Adherus® Autospray ET (Styrker)
- TissuePatchDural™ (Tissuemed)
- Liqoseal® (Polyganics, Distributed by Seven Healthcare Technologies)

- 3. The number of neurosurgical procedures where the following types of Dural products have been used in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.**

1. Dural Repair Products
2. Dural Substitutes
3. Dural Grafts

Examples of Dural Repair Products / Substitutes / Grafts:

- DuraGuard™ (Baxter)
- TissuDura™ (Baxter)
- Neuro-patch® (BBraun)
- Duraform™ (Integra)
- Duragen (Integra)
- Duragen® Plus (Integra)
- Duragen® Secure (Integra)
- Duragen® Suturable (Integra)
- Durepair™ (Medtronic)
- Duramatrix® (Stryker)
- Duramatrix-Onlay® (Stryker)
- Duramatrix® Suturable (Stryker)
- Duramatrix-Onlay® Plus (Stryker)

4. The number of spinal procedures where the following types of Dural products have been used in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.

1. Dural Repair Products
2. Dural Substitutes
3. Dural Grafts

Examples of Dural Repair Products / Substitutes / Grafts:

- DuraGuard™ (Baxter)
- TissuDura™ (Baxter)
- Neuro-patch® (BBraun)
- Duraform™ (Integra)
- Duragen (Integra)
- Duragen® Plus (Integra)
- Duragen® Secure (Integra)
- Duragen® Suturable (Integra)
- Durepair™ (Medtronic)
- Duramatrix® (Stryker)
- Duramatrix-Onlay® (Stryker)
- Duramatrix® Suturable (Stryker)
- Duramatrix-Onlay® Plus (Stryker)

5. The number of neurosurgical procedures where single-use bipolar forceps have been used on patients in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.

Examples of single-use bipolar forceps:

- Aesculap® Disposable Insulated bipolar forceps (BBraun)

- CODMAN® *VersaTru*™ (Integra)
- Adeor NXT™ (Judd Medical)
- K0Ag (Kogent, Distributed by Seven Healthcare Technologies)
- Spetzler-Malis® Disposable forceps (Stryker)

6. The number of cranioplasty procedures where cranioplasty implants have been used in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.

Examples of Cranioplasty implants may include:

- MEDPOR (Stryker)
- PMMA (Stryker)
- PEEK (Stryker)
- TRUMATCH® CMF (Johnson & Johnson)
- OssDsign® Cranial (Ossdsign)
- MEDICAL-GRADE PEEK PSI (Cavendish Implants)
- TITANIUM PSI (Cavendish Implants)
- Evoshape cranial implant (Evonus)
- Osteomatch PEEK Patient-Specific Cranial Implants (OsteoMed)
- Laserimplants (Renishaw)
- HTR-PEKK Patient Matched cranial implant (Biomet)
- SKULLPT (3D-Side)
- Glace custom-made cranial implant (Skulle implants)
- IPS Implants® Cranium – (KLS Martin)

Response Details

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.

To comply with our Section 16 obligation, the duty to provide advice and assistance, the UHB is able to provide information on the number of procedures carried out with each product. This information does not include operations that had taken place in emergency theatres (CEPOD).

The Number of neurosurgical and spinal procedures where CSF sealants have been used in the 12 month period 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020.

Examples of CSF sealants:

- Tisseel™ (Baxter) – 139 procedures
- DuraSeal® (Integra) - 0
- DuraSeal® Xact (Integra) - 0
- Evicel™ (J&J) - 0
- TachoSil® (J&J) - 0
- Adherus® & Autospray ET (Stryker) – 30 procedures
- TissuePatchDural™ (Tissuemed) – 0
- Liqoseal® (Polyganics, Distributed by Seven Healthcare Technologies) - 0

The number of neurosurgical & spinal procedures where the following types of Dural products have been used in the 12-month period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.

- Dural Repair Products
- Dural Substitutes
- Dural Grafts
- DURAGEN – 129 procedures
- ReDura Onlay – 3 procedures

We also used Floseal on 146 procedures