

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/20/367

Intra-Vitreous Injections/Implants

Request details

I have a Freedom of Information request. Could you please provide the answers to the below questions?

- 1. Within your trust how many intra-vitreous injections/implants of each of the following drugs have been used in the four-month period from May-August 2020:**

Aflibercept
Bevacizumab
Brolucizumab
Dexamethasone
Fluocinolone
Ranibizumab

- 2. If your trust is able to identify intra-vitreous injections/implants by eye condition, please provide the number of injections/implants used from May-August 2020, for each of the following conditions:**

Wet Age Related Macular Degeneration (wAMD)

Aflibercept
Bevacizumab
Brolucizumab
Dexamethasone
Fluocinolone
Ranibizumab

Diabetic Macular Oedema (DMO)

Aflibercept
Bevacizumab
Dexamethasone
Fluocinolone
Ranibizumab

Retinal Vein Occlusion - Central (CRVO) or Branch (BRVO)

Aflibercept
Bevacizumab
Dexamethasone
Fluocinolone
Ranibizumab

Visual impairment due to choroidal neovascularization secondary to pathologic myopia (mCNV)

Aflibercept
Bevacizumab
Dexamethasone
Fluocinolone
Ranibizumab

3. Within your trust how many patients have been treated for Uveitis in the four-month period from May to August 2020 with the following:

- Dexamethasone intra-vitreous implants
- Any other anti-VEGF injections/implants
- Infliximab
- Adalimumab
- Tocilizumab

Response details

Question 1

Aflibercept	751
Bevacizumab	53
Brolucizumab	0
Dexamethasone	41
Fluocinolone	0
Ranibizumab	854

Questions 2 & 3

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.