

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/21/366**  
**Growth Hormones and Spasticity Treatment**

**Request Details**

Could you please answer the questions below?

1. How many patients has your trust treated in the last 12 months with the following drugs?
  - Genotropin \*
  - Humatrope \*
  - Norditropin **90**
  - Nutropin \*
  - Omnitrope \*
  - Saizen \*
  - Zomacton \*
  - Any other Somatropin (please specify) **0**

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2. Please provide the number of patients under the age of 16 that were treated in the last 12 months with each of the following drugs:
  - Genotropin \*
  - Humatrope **0**
  - Norditropin **96**
  - Nutropin **0**
  - Omnitrope \*
  - Saizen **0**
  - Zomacton **0**
  - Any other Somatropin (please specify) **0**

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3. Within your trust, how many patients have been diagnosed (primary or secondary diagnosis) in the past 12 months for the following conditions:
  - Neuromuscular dysfunction of bladder (ICD-10 Code N31.9) **16**
  - Cervical dystonia (ICD-10 code G24.3) **0**

Please note: These figures are for patients coded with a diagnosis and *not* patients newly diagnosed with either condition.

4. For patients diagnosed with Neuromuscular Dysfunction of bladder as per question 3 above, how many patients have been treated in the last 3 months with the following products:
  - Botox
  - Dysport
  - Xeomin

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.

5. For patients diagnosed with cervical dystonia as per question 3 above, how many patients have been treated in the last 3 months with the following products:
  - Botox
  - Dysport
  - Xeomin

Please see question 4.