

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/22/146**  
**The Use of Fluoroquinolones**

**Information Requested:**

In March 2019 the MHRA released updated guidance on the use of Fluoroquinolones. In particular they confirmed that;

“Fluoroquinolones have been reported to cause serious side effects involving tendons, muscles, joints, and the nerves – in a small proportion of patients, these side effects caused long-lasting or permanent disability”

Do you have the any data on the number of individuals in your area that have been diagnosed with long-lasting or permanent disabilities due to Fluoroquinolone Antibiotics?

**Response:**

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board does not hold this data due to being unable to specifically identify Fluoroquinolone from the data.

