

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/24/413

Patient Data

1. The number of patients with generalised Myasthenia Gravis (gMG) treated in each month for January, February, March, April, May, and June 2024

The number of distinct patients discharged during the stated period with a diagnosis of myasthenia gravis, in any position of G70 or P940, is as follows. Please note that some patients may have subsequent discharges in other months and the figures are dependent on coding completion.

- January – 9
- February – 7
- March – 10
- April – 7
- May – 4
- June – 4

2. The volume of medication dispensed and/or consumed in each month for January, February, March, April, May, and June 2024 for each of the products below for gMG patients. If it is more convenient to specify the number of vials, pre-filled syringes, or tablets, that would also be very helpful.

1. Steroids
2. Acetylcholinesterase Inhibitors (ACHEis)
3. Immunosuppressants
4. Anti-CD20 – Rituximab
5. Immunoglobulins
6. Anti-FcRn
7. Complement Inhibitors

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as outlined in the Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004. When estimating the cost of complying with a request for information under the applicable legislation, the UHB must calculate this cost at a rate of £25 per person per hour to a maximum of £450, with the appropriate time limit for complying therefore being 18 hours.

In completing a search for the information requested, the UHB has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested relating to condition-specific products dispensed would require a manual search through individual records which the UHB considers would exceed the appropriate limit for the purposes of the 2004 Regulations. The UHB has therefore relied upon the exemption set out in section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') and is refusing your request.

However, in accordance with a public authority's duty to provide advice and assistance under section 16 of the 2000 Act, please see the attached Excel document for data on *all* products dispensed with respect to

points 1–4, 6 and 7 from the listed products above during the stated time period. The UHB cannot do the same for point 5.