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Re: Freedom of Information Request 311-2021

Thank you for your email dated the 19th October 2021, requesting information in relation to incidence and treatment of different types of cancer.

The information that you require is as follows:

We would greatly appreciate if you could answer the following three questions:

Please note, in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 our Trust is unable to release all of the information requested. The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust (CCC) is a relatively small Trust and by providing this level of detail where the number of patients is less than or equal to five increases any 'potential' risk of this data becoming identifiable information and thereby contravening one or more of the Data Protection Principles by releasing it into the public domain. Confidentiality is expected in such matters. This information is therefore exempt under Section 40: Personal Information, of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The areas where this exemption has been applied are shown below:

1. Within your health trust, how many patients have been treated in the past 3 months for head and neck cancer (squamous cell carcinoma) with the following agents? *Patients can have more than 1 regimen within the time period

- Carboplatin (monotherapy or in combination with 5-FU) = Exempt under S.40
- Cisplatin (monotherapy or in combination with 5-FU) = 63
- Cetuximab with/without chemotherapy = Exempt under S.40

- Cetuximab with radiotherapy = Exempt under S.40
- Pembrolizumab monotherapy = 21
- Pembrolizumab with chemotherapy = 0
- Nivolumab = 18
- Docetaxel (monotherapy or in combination with 5-FU) = Exempt under S.40
- Fluorouracil (5FU) = 0
- Radiotherapy only = 68 (radiotherapy plan was created within time period and no SACT was administrated within same period)
- Other = 8

2. For the patients treated in the past 3 months for head and neck cancer (squamous cell carcinoma) with the therapies listed in the first question, please provide:

- Total number of head and neck cancer patients = 114
- Number of locally advanced head and neck cancer patients = 31
- Number of recurrent and/or metastatic head and neck cancer patients = 60

3. Within your health trust, how many patients have been treated in the past 3 months with the following agents for colorectal cancer [CRC]?

- Aflibercept = 0
- Bevacizumab = 6
- Capecitabine = 50 (single agent +/- RT)
- CAPIRI = 8
- CAPOX (XELOX) = 114
- Cetuximab in combination with FOLFIRI = 29
- Cetuximab in combination with FOLFOX = 13
- Cetuximab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX = 16
- Irinotecan only = 14
- FOLFIRI = 61
- FOLFOX = 92
- Fluorouracil (5FU) only = 19
- Oxaliplatin only = 0
- Panitumumab in combination with FOLFIRI = Exempt under S.40
- Panitumumab in combination with FOLFOX = 12
- Panitumumab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX = 31

- **Pembrolizumab = Exempt under S.40**
- **Nivolumab = Exempt under S.40**
- **Raltitrexed = Exempt under S.40**
- **Ramucirumab = 0**
- **Regorafenib = Exempt under S.40**
- **Sorafenib = 0**
- **Other SACT = 24**

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM>

Kind regards

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