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Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 265 - 2019

Thank you for your email dated the 20th September 2019 requesting information regarding patient treatment figures relating to Head & Neck and Colorectal cancers.

The information that you require is as follows:

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:

I am writing to you today to formally request the following information relating to Head & Neck and Colorectal cancers.

1. Within your health trust how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months for head and neck cancer (Squamous cell carcinoma)?

221 individuals

2. Of these patients how many are locally advanced and how many are recurrent and/or metastatic head and neck cancer patients?
 - Locally advanced
 - Recurrent metastatic
 - Unknown

The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre records TNM staging at presentation only. This figure is below or equal to five and is therefore exempt under S.40

3. Within your health trust how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months for head and neck cancer (Squamous cell carcinoma) with the following agents?

Please note - some patients had more than one regime in the period

- Carboplatin (only or in combination with 5-FU) = 9
- Cisplatin (only or in combination with 5-FU) = 13
- Cetuximab with/without chemotherapy = Exempt under S.40
- Cetuximab with radiotherapy = Exempt under S.40
- Pembrolizumab monotherapy = 0
- Pembrolizumab with chemotherapy = 0
- Nivolumab = 19
- Docetaxel (only or in combination with 5-FU) = 0
- Fluorouracil (5FU) = 0
- Radiotherapy only = 124
- Other = 60

4. Within your health trust how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months with the following agent for colorectal cancer [CRC];

Please note - some patients had more than one regime in the period

- Aflibercept = 0
- Bevacizumab = 0
- Capecitabine = 109
- CAPIRI = 11
- CAPOX = 153
- Cetuximab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX = 12
- Cetuximab in combination with FOLFIRI = 19
- Cetuximab in combination with FOLFOX = Exempt under S.40
- Irinotecan = 19

- FOLFIRI = 75
- FOLFOX = 153
- Oxaliplatin = 0
- Panitumumab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX = Exempt under S.40
- Panitumumab in combination with FOLFIRI = Exempt under S.40
- Panitumumab in combination with FOLFOX = Exempt under S.40
- Nivolumab = 0
- Raltitrexed = 0
- Ramucirumab = 0
- Regorafenib = 0
- Sorafenib = 0
- 5FU only = Exempt under S.40
- Tegafur Uracil + 5FU = 0
- Trifluridine–tipiracil = 25
- XELOX = See above (CAPOX)
- Other = 260

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>