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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**  
**Ref: 349 - 2019**

Thank you for your email dated the 28th November 2019, requesting information relating to Vitamin K Antagonists (VKA) dosing and VTE risk assessment practices.

The information that you require is as follows:

**Please see Appendix A.**

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>**

Appendix A

**Name: Claire Smith**

**Position: Quality Improvement Manager**

**Acute Trust: The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre**

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**1. Does your Trust have an Anticoagulant Service for**

**a) In-patients and out-patients YES  NO**

**b) In-patients only YES  NO**

**c) Outpatient only YES  NO**

**2. How many inpatient beds does your Trust have (at each site if more than 1 site)?**

**Liverpool site = 31**

**Wirral site = 51**

**a) How many sites do you inpatient dose (if applicable)?**

**2**

**3. Who doses VKA for your inpatient population?**

**a) Doctors**

**b) Advanced nurse practitioners**

**c) Biomedical Scientists**

**d) Clinical Nurse Specialists – if so are they nurse prescribers?**

**e) Pharmacists - If so are they prescribers?**

**f) Other – free text box**

**4. How many individuals who are not doctors perform this role in the groups specified above**

**N/A- please see above**

5. If you dose warfarin for out-patients, how many warfarin patients do you currently dose?

N/A

a. Which dosing software do you use – free text

N/A

6. Does your Trust run nurse led Anticoagulation clinics?

YES  NO

7. If there are no nurse led clinics, who is responsible for management of patients taking VKA within your trust

Out patients are referred to their GP for VKA antagonist. Inpatients are managed by the ward teams.

8. Who completes your VTE Risk assessments?

a. Ward doctors

b. Nurses

c. Pharmacists

d. ANP

e. Other  - Please specify

Physician Associates

9. What is your current VTE Risk assessment compliance rate?

YTD = 96.6%