

Date: 23 November 2020

Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 253-2020

Thank you for your email dated the 28th October 2020, requesting information in relation to treatment of colorectal cancer.

The information that you require is as follows:

How many patients have been treated in the past 3 months with the following agents for colorectal cancer [CRC]?

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:

Regimen in question	Number of patients
Aflibercept	0
Bevacizumab	0
Capecitabine	43
CAPIRI	23
CAPOX	110
Cetuximab in combination with FOLFIRI	18
Cetuximab in combination with FOLFOX	10
Cetuximab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX	15
Irinotecan	17

FOLFIRI	54
FOLFOX	55
Oxaliplatin	0
Panitumumab in combination with FOLFIRI	8
Panitumumab in combination with FOLFOX	9
Panitumumab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX	10
Nivolumab	Exempt under S.40
Raltitrexed	0
Ramucirumab	0
Regorafenib	Exempt under S.40
Sorafenib	0
5FU only	16
Tegafur Uracil + 5FU	0
Trifluridine–tipiracil	24
XELOX	0
Other	55

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.