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Date: 4th January 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

I hope that you are well. I have a freedom of information request that I need your help with. I understand the pressures the entire NHS is currently under, but I would greatly appreciate your assistance. Could you please answer the questions below;

Q1. How many patients have been treated (for any condition) in the last 4 months with:

Treatment	Number of Patients
Benralizumab	6
Omalizumab	22
Reslizumab	0
Mepolizumab	13

Q2. Of the patients treated in the last 4 months with any of the above products, please provide the number of patients by following age-groups:

- Age 6-11
- Age 12-17
- Age 18 and above

We are unable to answer this question as the pharmacy reporting systems do not list age of patient in the outputs.

Q3. How many patients have been treated in the last four months with Dupilumab for Asthma ONLY?

We are unable to answer this question as the pharmacy reporting systems do not list indication in the outputs

Q4. How many patients has your trust treated (for any condition) in the last 12 months with the following drugs:

Treatment	Number of Patients
Genotropin	<5
Humatrope	0
Norditropin	0
Nutropin	0
Omnitrope	0
Saizen	0
Zomacton	0

Refusal Notice: Sec 40(2) Personal Information

The Trust has a policy of not releasing information when the data involved is less than 5. This is because we feel that such low numbers could make the individuals involved identifiable and therefore may cause undue harm and distress.

To disclose this information would:

- a) Contravene the Data Protection Act principles in that it would amount to unfair and possibly unlawful processing, as there was a legitimate expectation by the third parties that this information would remain confidential, and
- b) Disclosure may cause damage or distress to the individual(s) involved, and that damage or distress would be unwarranted (section 10 of the DPA).

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Gary Masterman
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