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Date Received: 27th January 2025

Response Due: 24th February 2025

Date: 21st February 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 27th January 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Q1) In the months of September, October, November and December 2023, how many patients were admitted to hospital following complications or side effects of Semaglutide (Wegovy), Ozempic or Mounjaro? (Weight loss jabs)

Q2) In each month of the calendar year 2024, how many patients were admitted to hospital following complications or side effects of Semaglutide (Wegovy), Ozempic or Mounjaro?

Q3) What are the three most common side effects of weight loss jabs reported by patients who've been admitted to hospital after using them? Please provide a percentage of each, if available.

Please provide an individual figure for each of the 16 months requested, rather than a total figure.

The Trust does not have specific codes for Semaglutide, Ozempic or Mounjaro. We would use Y42.3 Insulin and Oral Hypoglycaemic (anti-diabetic) drugs in secondary position to the side effect caused, as they are anti-diabetic drugs used for weight loss. However, as this code covers all anti-diabetic drugs in general, we would not be able to identify those for weight loss.

Therefore, the Trust is unable to provide this data as it is not recorded centrally, if recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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Richard Mundon Deputy Chief Executive

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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