



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-529

Date 17th February 2025

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Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 6th November 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) Semaglutide.

Q1 Please see my Freedom of Information request below. Can you please provide me with any details you can on:

The number of people who have attended A&E and given Semaglutide as a reason for their visit, where there drug was indicated for weight management - in every year between 2022 and 2024. Please give a figure for each year. Semaglutide also goes under brand names such as Ozempic, Saxenda, Rybelsus and Wegovy – can you please include these names in your records also.

A1 Please see below.

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Year	No. Patients attended who took a version of Semaglutide and attended the ED n= 16	No. Patients whose cause for presentation was attributed to Semaglutide	Indication for use of Semaglutide
2022	4	1	-Diabetes and weight loss
2023	4	1 1 Possible**	-Weight loss -Diabetes and weight loss
2024	9	8	-1 x Diabetes and weight loss -7 x Weight loss

**Possible due to presentation of collapse, dizziness, and nausea attributed to vasovagal, but the patient had started Semaglutide the day before. However, they did have a history of prior collapse so cannot say if Semaglutide did or did not factor.

Q2 Please break the figures down to give details of the complications patients presented with as a result of their use of Semaglutide.

A2 Please see below.

Complication	Number of patients who had the complication
Nausea	2 Yes 1 Possible**
Vomiting	9 Yes
Dizziness	1 Yes 1 Possible**
Collapse	1 Possible**
Haematemesis (vomiting blood)	1 Yes
Diarrhoea	2 Yes
Wheeze	1 Yes
Lethargy	2 Yes
Intermittent fever	1 Yes
Abdominal Pain	2 Yes
Dark urine	1 Yes
Jaundice	1 Yes
Drug Induced Liver Failure	1 Yes
Hypokalaemia (Low potassium)	1 Yes
Acute Kidney Injury (AKI)	1 Yes
Accidental overdose	3 Yes

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Yours,



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