



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-416

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing in response to your email dated 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Products.

**Q1 I have a freedom of information request with which I hope you'll be able to help me with**

**Q1. How many patients have been treated for any condition in the last 4 months with the following products?**

- **Botox**
- **Xeomin**
- **Dysport**

A1 Information not held. We do not routinely apply clinical coding to OP attendances, and after checking each ICD10 code against the last 4 months outpatient attendances we have found no records which match the ICD10's stated in the FOI. In order to check in patient data we would be required to check all patient notes (148), also note that the hospital pharmacy may prescribe this medication from 'stock'. Section 12 exemption as stated below;

I can neither confirm nor deny whether the information you have requested is held by the Trust in its entirety. This is because the information requested in this question is not held centrally but may be recorded in health records. In order to confirm whether this information is held we would therefore have to individually access all health records within the departments that treat this condition and extract the information where it is present. We therefore estimate that complying with your request is exempt under section 12 of the FOI Act: *cost of compliance is excessive*. The section 12 exemption applies when it is estimated a request will take in excess of 18 hours to complete. We estimate that accessing and reviewing all health records and then extracting relevant information would take longer than the 18 hours allowed for.

In addition to the section 12 exemption the Trust is also applying section 14 (1) exemption: *oppressive burden on the authority*.

**Q2 How many patients have been treated for Spasmodic Torticollis (ICD-10 Code: G24.3) in the last 4 months with the following products?**

- **Botox**
- **Xeomin**
- **Dysport**

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**Q3 How many patients have been treated for Neuromuscular dysfunction of bladder (ICD-10 Code N31) in the last 4 months with the following products?**

- **Botox**
- **Xeomin**
- **Dysport**

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**Q4 How many patients have been treated for Disturbances of salivary secretion (ICD-10 Code K11.7) in the last 4 months with the following products?**

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- **Xeomin**
- **Dysport**

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**Q5 How many patients have been treated for Clonic Hemifacial Spasm (ICD-10 Code; G51.3) in the last 4 months with the following products?**

- **Botox**
- **Xeomin**
- **Dysport**

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**Q6 How many patients have been treated for Blepharospasm (G24.5) in the last 4 months with the following products?**

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- **Xeomin**
- **Dysport**

**A6** Information not held. We do not routinely apply clinical coding to OP attendances, and after checking each ICD10 code against the last 4 months outpatient attendances we have found no records which match the ICD10's stated in the FOI. In order to check in patient data we would be required to check all patient notes (148), also note that the hospital pharmacy may prescribe this medication from 'stock'. Section 12 exemption as stated below;

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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Yours,



**Rachel Montinaro**  
Data Security and Protection Manager - Records