



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-600b

Date: 30th March 2023

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 20th March 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding our response on medicines in secondary care

You emailed:

'Thank you for getting back to me on this. I've tried to open that link but I cannot get onto the site. Having read some of the documentation on CancerStats2 it looks like that link is for NHS personnel only so this data is unavailable to the public.'

Given the above I would appreciate if my request can be reconsidered.'

We replied via email with:

Thank you for your email below, I have approached the division with your query who have responded with: we'll be able to provide the majority of the data but we do not yet have the data for the specified months. We can only provide data for Sept & Oct 22. Alternatively we can provide data for July to Oct 22 if 4 months is required. Please advise what you would like

You responded via email with:

'Thank you for looking into this. In that case the Sep & Oct 2022 date period is the most suitable for me.'

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Your original request with our response of 18th January 2023

Q1 I am conducting analysis on the usage of medicines in secondary care and kindly request your help.

I would be grateful if you could send a dataset from your Trust, to inform this analysis:

(1) SACT Cancer report

An extract from the chemotherapy ePMA system showing patients treated by drug and diagnosis, as specified in table 1 (below).

1) Table 1- SACT Cancer report

An extract of records from the chemotherapy ePMA system between Sep 2022 and Dec 2022 for all solid tumour and haematology malignancies (ICD-10 primary diagnosis codes C* and D*)

Source: NHS Digital, NHS Data Model and Dictionary, Systemic Anti-cancer Therapy Data Set https://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_sets/clinical_data_sets/systemic_anti-cancer_therapy_data_set.html

Organisation code (code of provider)
Primary diagnosis (ICD-10 3 rd or 4 th digit)
Morphology (ICD-O)
TNM stage
Adjunctive therapy type
Regimen treatment intent
Drug regimen
Drug regimen acronym
Clinical trial indicator
Drug name
Actual dose
Unit of measure
Route of administration
Cycle number
Number of planned cycles
SACT administration date
Organisation identifier (of SACT administration)

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding this request, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link: Trust identifier: RJE

SACT data is reported to CancerStats2 which is a national database <https://cancerstats.ndrs.nhs.uk>

Our revised response:

Please refer to the attached spread sheet: note, we do not hold TNM Stage, Drug Regimen Acronym or Number of planned cycles

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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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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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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