



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-592

Date: 31st January 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 4th December 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Parkinson's

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) 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.

Q1 How many people have been newly diagnosed with Parkinson's and prescribed Parkinson's medications since January 2022 at a Neurology clinic provided by University Hospitals of North Midlands?

A1 1156

Q2 Of the total number of people newly diagnosed and prescribed Parkinson's medication how many were registered to GP's in mid and south Cheshire (full list of GP surgeries provided below). We do not require the numbers per surgery, only the total number.

Eaglebridge PCN
Millcroft Medical Centre Earnswood Medical Centre

Grosvenor, Hungerford and Rope Green PCN
Grosvenor Medical Centre Hungerford Medical Centre Rope Green Medical Centre

Nantwich and Rural PCN Kiltearn Medical Centre Nantwich Medical Centre
Audlem Medical Practice Wrenbury Medical Centre Tudor Surgery

SMASH PCN
Ashfields Primary Care Centre Oaklands Medical Centre Waters Edge Medical
Centre Cedars Medical Centre Merepark Medical Centre Greenmoss Medical
Centre Haslington Surgery

CHOC PCN

**Lawton House Surgery Meadowside Medical Centre Readesmore Medical Centre
Holmes Chapel Health Centre**

**Northwich PCN
Oakwood Medical Centre Danebridge Medical Centre Weaverham Surgery Witton
St Surgery Middlewich Road Surgery Watling Medical Practice Firdale Medical
Centre**

**Winsford PCN
Swanlow Medical Centre Weaver Vale Surgery Willow Wood Surgery
High Street Medical practice Launceston Close Surgery**

- A2 The Number with activity under a newly diagnosed nurse clinic code and under one of the listed GP Surgeries = 260
- Q3 Of those newly diagnosed and prescribed Parkinson's medications, how many have been offered a follow up appointment within 6 months (of the appointment where they were prescribed Parkinson's medications) with a Nurse or a Consultant?**
- A3 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 Trust 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*
- Q4 Where the follow up appointment was with a Consultant, how many appointments were with locum Consultants?**
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- Q5 Where the follow up appointment was with a Parkinson's Nurse Specialist, how many had their appointment at Leighton Hospital?**
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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.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

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.

Yours,



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