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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 26 November 2018 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding the Caverject Injections. Specifically you requested information as follows:

Caverject Injections guidance/policy

1. What is the current policy on the allocation of the above drug

Answer: Caverject is included in the CDD Formulary. Its use is covered by the CDD Policy Statement on the treatment of Erectile Dysfunction. Please see attached

2. Why is this not available on the NHS for Hypogonadism patients.

Answer: Only patients that are part of the Selected List Scheme (SLS) can be treated with Caverject on the NHS. Hypogonadism is not listed among the SLS indications.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer