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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 6th February 2020 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 intra-vitreal injections/implants. Specifically you requested information as follows:

I am writing to you to ask for information relating to the ophthalmology related services provided by County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust.

1. Within your Trust how many trained and active staff do you have that can administer the anti-VEGF injection [Ranibizumab, Bevacizumab or Aflibercept]?

Answer: 4 Nurse Injectors and 6 Doctors

2. Within your trust how many intra-vitreal injections/implants have been used in the latest 4 months, if possible between September to December 2019 If your Trust is able to identify injections/implants by eye conditions please split by the drug used [ranibizumab, bevacizumab, aflibercept, Fluocinolone and Dexamethasone],

Wet Age Related Macular Degeneration (wAMD)

- Ranibizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	111	125	224
Total	111	125	224

- Bevacizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	4	4	7
Total	4	4	7

- Aflibercept

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	622	734	1552
Total	622	734	1552

- Fluocinolone - None
- Dexamethasone - None

Diabetic Macular Oedema (DMO)

- Ranibizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	5	5	8
Total	5	5	8

- Bevacizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	4	4	8
Total	4	4	8

- Aflibercept

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	113	144	296
Total	113	144	296

- Fluocinolone - None

- Dexamethasone

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	6	6	6
Total	6	6	6

Retinal Vein Occlusion - Central or Branch (CRVO or BRVO) RVO

- Ranibizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	8	8	13
Total	8	8	13

- Bevacizumab - None

- Aflibercept

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	22	23	52
Total	22	23	52

- Fluocinolone - None

- Dexamethasone

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	2	2	2
Total	2	2	2

Other eg mCNV

- Ranibizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	3	3	3
Total	3	3	3

- Bevacizumab

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	2	3	7
Total	2	3	7

- Aflibercept

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	13	15	25
Total	13	15	25

- Fluocinolone - None

- Dexamethasone

Year	Patients	Eyes	Injections
2019	4	4	4
Total	4	4	4

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
Darlington
DL3 6HX

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