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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 30 April 2021 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to nitrogen scavenging treatments and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

Q1. How many patients have been treated by your Trust in the past 12 months (for any condition) with the following:

- **Raviciti (Glycerol phenylbutyrate)**
- **Ammonaps (Sodium phenylbutyrate)**
- **Sodium Phenylbutyrate liquid specials**
- **Sodium Benzoate tablets**
- **Sodium Benzoate liquid specials**
- **Any nitrogen scavengers (any form of Glycerol phenylbutyrate, sodium phenyl butyrate or sodium benzoate)**

No patients have been treated by the Trust in the past 12 months for any condition with the above listed treatments.

Q2. How many patients were admitted with disorders of urea cycle metabolism (primary diagnosis ICD10 code E72.2) in the past 3 years? For these patients, what was the average length of the hospital inpatient stay?

During the time period specified the Trust had 5 patients in total with an average length of stay of 1.4 days.

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 on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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