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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 13 May 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 the usage of anti-VEFG treatments for eye conditions and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. For the 4-month period from January to April 2021, how many patients has your Trust treated with the following anti-VEGF treatments:

- **Aflibercept**
- **Bevacizumab**
- **Brolucizumab**
- **Dexamethasone**
- **Fluocinolone acetonide**
- **Ranibizumab**

2. For the patients above, how many were new to anti-VEGF therapy? Please provide the patient numbers by the treatments listed below, excluding patients who previously had any anti-VEGF therapy.

- **Aflibercept**
- **Bevacizumab**
- **Brolucizumab**
- **Dexamethasone**
- **Fluocinolone acetonide**
- **Ranibizumab**

3. Within your Trust, how many intra-vitreous injections/implants of each the following treatments have been used (for any eye condition) in the four-month period from January to April 2021:

- **Aflibercept**
- **Bevacizumab**

- **Brolucizumab**
- **Dexamethasone**
- **Fluocinolone**
- **Ranibizumab**

4. If your Trust is able to identify intra-vitreous injections/implants by eye condition, please provide the number of injections/implants used in the four-month period from January to April 2021 for each of the following conditions: Diabetic Macular Oedema (DMO)

- **Aflibercept**
- **Bevacizumab**
- **Dexamethasone**
- **Ranibizumab**

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

- **Aflibercept**
- **Bevacizumab**
- **Dexamethasone**
- **Ranibizumab**

There are no patients within the Trust who have been treated with the above anti-VEGF treatments.

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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