Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB 17-382

Date 13 July 2017



Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

- 1) Please advise the estimated number of patients receiving chemotherapy and radiotherapy at your hospital(s) each year.
 - Approximate number of patients having radiotherapy 3000 of which approx. 50 Paediatric patients.
 - Approximate number of patients having Chemo 1500 of which approx. 60 Paediatric patients.
- 2) What is the preferred 'barrier' mouthwash product prescribed to patients for oral mucositis treatment and/or prevention?

Gelclair is our first choice.

- 3) Which of the following 'barrier' mouthwash brands, if any, have previously been prescribed in your hospital(s):
 - Caphosol No
 - Gelclair Yes
 - Mucodis No
- 4) What is the estimated annual spend on mouthwash? £22,194
- 5) What is the estimated annual number of units of mouthwash prescribed annually?

12,579 units

6) How much Saline and Difflam mouthwash are prescribed for OM? Difflam mouthwash used much more frequently than saline mouthwash.

We do not hold this information.

7) What are your current prescribing pathways for oral mucositis care?

There is no guideline in place at current but there is one in development. Standard therapy involves Difflam mouthwashes, Corsodyl, Gelclair, occasional sucralfate liquid and pain management

8) Do you currently prescribe anything for the prevention and/or treatment of the following conditions:

- Vaginal mucositis (Vulvovaginitis)
- · Rectal mucositis
- Radiation dermatitis

No

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary
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Trust Headquarters
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,