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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013794 - Extravasation Incident Information

Name of person completing request:	Responses from various department		
Hospital Trust/Health Board:	The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust		
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1. Does your organisation provide a chemotherapy service – this may include inpatient, outpatient or a community service? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
2. In the past financial year, how many doses of chemotherapy did you deliver? (April 2016 – March 2017)	24,743		
3. In the past financial year, how many doses of anthracyclines did you administer? (April 2016 – March 2017)	This level of information would be held in a patients records and patient records are not assessable under the FOI Act.		
4. In the past financial year, how many anthracycline extravasations have been reported due to chemotherapy? (April 2016 – March 2017)	A report can be run on our incident reporting database for extravasations but there is no sub category for what drug was used		
5. In the past 3 financial years, how many patients have submitted a claim for medical negligence and/or damages against the Trust/Health Board due to an anthracycline extravasation injury?	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016 -2017
	The claims database does not capture the level of detail needed in order for the Trust to run a report for the information you have requested.		
6. In the past 3 financial years, how much compensation has the Trust/Health Board had to pay to those claimants who have suffered an anthracycline extravasation injury and have been successful in their medical negligence and/or damages case?	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016 -2017
	See response to question 5		

7. Does your Trust/Health Board have in place guidelines as to how to recognise and manage an extravasation injury? If not, is this available via your Cancer Alliance/Network or another source? If other, please state source .....YES.....

Trust/Health Board Guidelines  Yes  No      If yes, when were they last updated? – Trust Policy – June 2017; Strategic Cancer Network Chemotherapy Expert Group – Extravasation Guideline – ratified externally – November 2017; pending internal Governance approval

8. Does your Trust/Health Board stock or have readily available any of the following extravasation treatments for chemotherapy?

a. Sodium Thiosulfate       No      If yes, how often used in the past financial year? (April 2016 – March 2017).....

b. Hyaluronidase       Yes      If yes, how often used in the past financial year? (April 2016 – March 2017).....

c. DMSO       Yes      If yes, how often used in the past financial year? (April 2016 – March 2017).....

d. Dexrazoxane (Savene)       Yes      If yes, how often used in the past financial year? (April 2016 – March 2017).....Once.....

9. In the past 3 financial years, how many annual reconstruction operations have been carried out by the Trust/Health Board due to an extravasation injury?	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016 -2017
	There is no clinical coding for an extravasation injury so we cannot answer this		

10. Does your Trust/Health Board's plastics and/or nursing team have the expertise/core competency to undertake the wash-out/flush-out technique if an extravasation occurs?

Yes  No      Nursing staff are not deemed competent to carry out this procedure. If required, this would be carried out by a Consultant Plastic Surgeon or Specialist Registrar.

11. If you answered yes to question 10, in the past 3 financial years, how many wash-out/flush-out procedures have been carried out by the Trust/Health Board due to an extravasation incident?	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016 -2017
	There is no clinical coding for an extravasation injury so we cannot answer this		