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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 please see information below.

Please find below a freedom of information request relating to the treatment and management of patients with Lupus

Question 1: Does The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust treat patients diagnosed with Lupus (systemic lupus erythematosus including lupus nephritis)?	Yes
	If No, please see question 2
	If Yes, please see questions 3 & 4

Question 2: If The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust does not treat Lupus (systemic lupus erythematosus including lupus nephritis) are patients referred to a tertiary/ specialist treatment centre?	Yes/No N/A
	If Yes, please state which treatment centre.
Treatment Centre:	

Question 3: Does The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust have local guidelines/ clinical pathways/ protocols (including shared care protocols) for the treatment of patients diagnosed with Lupus (systemic lupus erythematosus including lupus nephritis)?	Yes/No
	We do not have a specific pathway for the treatment of SLE. We have ESCAs for hydroxychloroquine, azathioprine and mycophenolate (which are about to be replaced by the national ECSAs recently approved). We have a SOP for

	belimumab which is given on the day case unit (under SOPs on the hub). In clinic we have a specific letter template to record disease scores. We link in with the weekly SLE specialist meetings at City and QE. We have a combined renal - rheumatology clinic for patients with renal and systemic lupus.
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Question 4: How many patients were treated at The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust for Lupus using belimumab in 2023?	1
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Question 5: How many patients were treated at The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust for Lupus using rituximab in 2023?	0
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Question 6: How many patients were treated at The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust for Lupus using voclosporin in 2023?	0
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If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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