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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

Request

1) In the last 12 months of data that you have available, how many patients were treated for wet AMD (wet age-related macular degeneration) (ICD-10 Code H35.30) with the following agents:

- A) Bevacizumab
- B) Faricimab
- C) Ranibizumab
- D) Aflibercept

2) If possible to answer, in the last 12 months of data that you have available, how many other ophthalmology patients have you treated with the following agents (please list how many for each agent separately):

- A) Bevacizumab
- B) Faricimab
- C) Ranibizumab
- D) Aflibercept

Please answer question 1, even if it is not possible to answer question 2.

Response

Unfortunately, the data held by Pharmacy is not based on indication, therefore we cannot separate the figures as requested. We can, however, provide the number of patients treated as a total for both Q1 and Q2.

Please note that as per NHS Digital rules the Trust does not publish numbers lower than 5 as this could lead to the identification of the persons involved and cause distress to Families or Friends. The number of patients treated for wet AMD over the requested timeframe is less than 5, therefore, Exemption Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act is applied.

In the 12 months, Nov 23 to Oct 24, the following number of Ophthalmology patients were issued the listed treatments (for any condition):

Treatment	Patient Count
Bevacizumab	< 5

Faricimab	715
Ranibizumab	343
Aflibercept	424

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

Yours sincerely

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