

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 18-024**

Date 18 January 2018

By Email

Dear Madam

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

Within your trust how many patients have been treated, in the past 6 months July to December 2017 by diagnosed eye condition. Of these patients how many are new to treatment [they have not previously received an injection / implant]?

Please see table below for all indications. We are unable to provide the data broken down by indication as we do not record the information in this way at present.

Where the figures are fewer than 5, this has been denoted by **. Where numbers are low we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1. Therefore under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we will not be disclosing this information at this time.

We are unable to provide the total number of patients as this disclosure of this information would identify the number of individuals who were treated with Eylea (aflibercept), which as noted above, due to low numbers, would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1; therefore we will not be disclosing this information at this time.

	New Patients	Lucentis (ranibizumab) Patients	Lucentis (ranibizumab) NEW Patients	Eylea (aflibercept) Patients	Eylea (aflibercept) NEW Patients
Total	136	987	132	1,509	**

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
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
BS1 3NU

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

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

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