

## Freedom of Information request 75-20

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### Request

1. Within your trust how many trained and active staff do you have that can administer the anti-VEGF injection [Ranibizumab, Bevacizumab or Aflibercept] ?

2. Within your trust how many intra-vitreous injections/implants have been used in the latest 4 months, if possible between September to December 2019

If your trust is able to identify injections/implants by eye conditions please split by the drug used [ranibizumab, bevacizumab, aflibercept, Fluocinolone and Dexamethasone],

If you are unable to split by condition then please just indicate the number of times a drug has been used (regardless of condition)

Wet Age Related Macular Degeneration (wAMD)

Ranibizumab  
Bevacizumab  
Aflibercept  
Fluocinolone  
Dexamethasone

Diabetic Macular Oedema (DMO)

Ranibizumab  
Bevacizumab  
Aflibercept  
Fluocinolone  
Dexamethasone

Retinal Vein Occlusion - Central or Branch (CRVO or BRVO)

Ranibizumab  
Bevacizumab  
Aflibercept  
Fluocinolone  
Dexamethasone

Other eg mCNV

Ranibizumab  
Bevacizumab  
Aflibercept  
Fluocinolone  
Dexamethasone

### Response

1. NHS Borders currently have 2 nurses trained to give these injections, with 3 consultants also trained but do not routinely give these injections.
2. Please find below data on intra-vitreous injections/implants that have been used in the latest 4 months, we are unable to split by condition as this data is not held:

**01Sept19 - 31Dec19**

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Label Description	Trade Name	Transaction Qty (Count)
AFLIBERCEPT!4mg/0.1mL!INJECTION	EYLEA	171
DEXAMETHASONE!700microgram!INTRAVITREAL IMPLANT	OZURDEX	3
RANIBIZUMAB!0.5mg/0.05mL!SYRINGE	LUCENTIS PIP :383-1419	134

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or [foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk).

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **75-20** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.