

Freedom of Information request 53-22

Request

I am researching the use of iron therapy in anaemia, in particular to understand the medical conditions and surgical procedures for which iron treatments are being used. I would greatly appreciate it if you could answer the following 3 questions:

Q1. How many patients have been treated in the last 6 months (for any disease) with the following products:

- Feraccru (ferric maltol capsules)
- Ferinject (ferric carboxymaltose injection/infusion)
- Monofer (ferric derisomaltose injection)
- Cosmofer (iron dextran injection)
- Venofer (iron sucrose injection)
- Any of the above 5 products

Q2. For the patients treated in the last 6 months with any of products listed in Q1, how many patients were diagnosed (at any point in the last 12 months) with the following:

- Chronic Kidney Disease (ICD10 code – N.18)
- Heart Failure (ICD10 code – I.50)
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease (ICD10 codes – K.50 to K.52)
- Malignant neoplasms (ICD10 codes C.00 to c.96)
- Post-Partum Haemorrhage (ICD10 code O.72)

Q3. For the patients treated in the last 6 months with any of products listed in Q1, how many patients undertook the following elective surgeries at any point in the last 12 months:

- Primary Hip Replacement (OPCS codes W371, W381 and W941)
- Hysterectomy (OPCS codes Q074 and Q075)
- Colorectal Resection (OPCS codes H071, H0712, H073, H074, H333 and H336)
- Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (OPCS code K453)
- Cardiac Valve Surgery (OPCS codes K262 and K255)

Response

1. NHS Borders has not treated any patients in the last 6 months with the listed products.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.

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.

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 **53-22** 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.