

07 August 2020

Our Ref: RFI 35106

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000r
Information in Relation to Treatment for Atopic Dermatitis**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for the information relating to the above which you requested on 14 July 2020.

'I am conducting some research into the treatment of Atopic Dermatitis in the UK, and how this compares with other countries in Europe. I would really appreciate if you could answer two questions.'

- Q1. *'Could you tell me how many Atopic Dermatitis patients have been treated by your trust in the latest four months that you have data available for, and how many of these patients were paediatric versus adult?'***
- Q2. *'For all Atopic Dermatitis patients (adult plus paediatric) treated by your trust in the latest four months, could you please provide the number of patients treated with each of the following:***
- High Potency topical steroids***
 - Ultraviolet light therapy***
 - Azathioprine***
 - Ciclosporin***
 - Methotrexate***
 - Mycophenolate mofetil***
 - Acitretin***
 - Alitretinoin***
 - Dupilumab***
 - Upadacitinib***
 - Tacrolimus***
 - Pimecrolimus***

The information requested is not held on a central information system. To obtain this information would require a manual review of records.

This would exceed the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined by the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust therefore exempts the release of this information under Section 12(1).

12.-(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to me at the address below.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours Sincerely

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