

Information Governance

09 September 2020

Our Ref: RFI 35302

Dear

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

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to above which you requested on 3 August 2020. You will be aware from my previous email that due to the Covid- 19 Pandemic the Information Governance Service was suspended as staff were redeployed. Thank you for your patience and forbearance during the ensuing delay.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Hospital Services Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital (informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

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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Information Governance Assistant

Q1. How many patients were treated within your Trust with the following drugs within the specified time periods?

A1.

Drug	Number of patients treated between 01 February 2017 and 31 July 2018	Number of patients treated between 01 August 2018 and 31 January 2020
Apremilast	13	38
Adalimumab	427	561
Dupilumab	1	27
Etanercept	188	194
Infliximab	211	239
Secukinumab	60	92
Ustekinumab	60	113

Q2. How many patients were treated within your Trust for atopic dermatitis within the specified time periods?

- **Number of patients treated for atopic dermatitis between 01 February 2017 and 31 July 2018**
- **Number of patients treated for atopic dermatitis between 01 August 2018 and 31 January 2020**

A2. Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Trust.

Q3. How many patients were treated within your Trust with the following drugs for atopic dermatitis within the specified time periods?

A3.

Drug	Number of patients treated for atopic dermatitis between 01 February 2017 and 31 July 2018	Number of patients treated for atopic dermatitis between 01 August 2018 and 31 January 2020
Apremilast	Nil	Nil
Adalimumab	Nil	Nil
Dupilumab	1	27
Etanercept	Nil	Nil
Infliximab	Nil	Nil
Secukinumab	Nil	Nil
Ustekinumab	Nil	Nil

Q4. Please specify how patients treated with the following drugs are coded (OPCS code) within your trust:

- **Apremilast**
- **Adalimumab**
- **Dupilumab**
- **Etanercept**
- **Infliximab**
- **Secukinumab**
- **Ustekinumab**

A4. Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Trust. The Trust does not code this way.

Q5. Please provide the number of patients treated in the homecare setting for atopic dermatitis within the specified time periods:

- **Number of patients treated in the homecare setting for atopic dermatitis between 01 February 2017 and 31 July 2018**
- **Number of patients treated in the homecare setting for atopic dermatitis between 01 August 2018 and 31 January 2020**

A5. Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by the Trust.

Q6. How many of your Trust's homecare patients were treated with the following drugs for atopic dermatitis within the specified time periods?

A6.

Drug	Number of patients treated for atopic dermatitis between 01 February 2017 and 31 July 2018	Number of patients treated for atopic dermatitis between 01 August 2018 and 31 January 2020
Apremilast	Nil	Nil
Adalimumab	Nil	Nil
Dupilumab	Nil	17
Etanercept	Nil	Nil
Infliximab	Nil	Nil
Secukinumab	Nil	Nil
Ustekinumab	Nil	Nil