

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 October 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1. Within your trust how many patients do you have diagnosed with Rheumatoid Arthritis?

564

2. How many Rheumatoid Arthritis patients have had an IFR [Individual Funding Request] put in for them to have an advanced treatment (i.e. biologic or JAK inhibitor) in the past 12 months?

46 Rheumatology patients have received a new biologics or JAK inhibitor in the last 12 months and will therefore have had an IFR completed. The Trust cannot specifically identify whether the patient had Rheumatoid Arthritis or any other diagnosis.

3. How many patients do you have diagnosed with moderate Rheumatoid Arthritis? [moderate is defined within the guidelines as patients with a DAS score of between 3.2 and 5.1]

The Trust does not record this information in a central location. To obtain this information would entail trawling through patient records which would require permission and exceed the appropriate time limit.

4. How many moderate Rheumatoid Arthritis patients have had an IFR [Individual Funding Request] put in for them to have an advanced treatment (i.e. biologic or JAK inhibitor) in the past 12 months?

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5. How many moderate Rheumatoid Arthritis patients have been granted an IFR request for an advanced treatment (i.e. biologic or JAK inhibitor) in the past 12 months?

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6. If possible, please state the number of patients and the name of an advanced treatment (i.e. biologic or JAK inhibitor) provided

Adalimumab	15
Baritinib	1
Certolizumab	1
Etanercept	15
Rituximab	9
Secukinumab	2

Tocilizumab	1
Ustekinumab	2

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom Of Information Co-ordinator
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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