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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4625

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 15th February 2021.

Your request was as follows:

1. A breakdown of the number of MRI scans that Multiple Sclerosis patients have had at The Walton Centre for the following years: 1 January 2018-31st December 2018; 1 January 2019-31 December 2019; 1 January 2020-31 December 2020.

Please could you provide the information in the form of a table.

[Please see attached excel spreadsheet.](#)

2. A monthly breakdown of the number of face-to-face appointments MS patients have had with specialist MS nurses at The Walton Centre for the following years: 1 January 2018-31st December 2018; 1 January 2019-31 December 2019; 1 January 2020-31 December 2020.

Please could you provide the information as a table.

[Please see attached excel spreadsheet.](#)

3. The number of MS nurses still currently operating in their specialist MS teams at The Walton Centre. Also, the number of MS nurses that have been redeployed to Covid-19 and intensive care wards.

Please could you provide the information as a table.

[4.4 wte MS Nurses in clinical posts to support MS service - None were redeployed.](#)

4. The total number of neurology appointments that took place at The Walton Centre or online for those with multiple sclerosis

Please could you provide the information as a table.

[Please see attached excel spreadsheet.](#)

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 4625 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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