

Date: Thursday, 12th May 2022
Our Ref: MB/CM FOI 5153

Sid Watkins Building
Lower Lane
Fazakerley
Liverpool L9 7BB
Tel: 01515253611
Fax: 01515295500
Direct Line: 01515563038

Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 5153

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 20th April 2022.

Your request was as follows:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you tell us the number of unique patients since January 2020 with a recorded diagnosis of

1. Epilepsy. Likely coded as ICD G40
2. Dravet syndrome. Likely coded as ICD10 code G40.3, or SNOMED code (SCTID) of 230437002 (if applicable)
3. Lennox Gastaut Syndrome. Likely coded as ICD10 code G40.4 or SNOMED code (SCTID) of 230418006
4. Tuberous Sclerosis Complex. Likely coded as ICD10 code Q85.1 or SNOMED code (SCTID) of 7199000

[Please see attached.](#)

How many patients have been treated with Cannabidiol (Epidyolex) in the latest 3 months?

For these patients, how many of them had a diagnosis of:-

- Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (ICD10 Code: G40.4) SCTID: 230418006

Or how many of them had a diagnosis of

- Dravet Syndrome (ICD10 Code: G40.8) SCTID: 230437002

[The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust has issued Cannabidiol 100mg in 1ml oral solution to 24 patients since the 01/02/2022.](#)

[I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 \(FOIA\) that we do not hold the information you have requested relating to the diagnosis of each patient given Cannabidiol as a treatment.](#)

[Under the FOIA we are not required to create this information in order to answer your request. I should explain that the FOIA is to do with transparency of information held by public authorities. It gives an individual the right to access recorded information held by public authorities. The FOIA does not require public authorities to generate information, or to answer questions, provide explanations or give opinions, unless this is recorded information that they already hold.](#)

Please provide information on how each number was calculated (Using SNOMED CT, using ICD10, using both, another

means.)

The WCFT used patients coded as inpatients and outpatients as per the request.

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

Re-Use of Public Sector Information

All information supplied by the Trust in answering a request for information (RFI) under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 will be subject to the terms of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2005, Statutory Instrument 2005 No. 1515 which came into effect on 1st July 2005.

Under the terms of the Regulations, the Trust will licence the re-use of any or all information supplied if being used in a form and for the purpose other than which it was originally supplied. This license for re-use will be in line with the requirements of the Regulations and the licensing terms and fees as laid down by the Office of Public Sector Information (OPSI). Most licenses will be free; however the Trust reserves the right, in certain circumstances, to charge a fee for the re-use of some information which it deems to be of commercial value.

Further information can be found at www.opsi.gov.uk where a sample license terms and fees can be found with guidance on copyright and publishing notes and a Guide to Best Practice and regulated advice and case studies, at www.opsi.gov.uk/advice/psi-regulations/index.htm

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Freedom of Information Office at the address above.

Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 5153 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

Mike Burns

Mr. Mike Burns, Executive Lead for Freedom of Information