

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.060.24

6 November 2024

Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information, which was received on 17 October 2024, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require. For ease of reference your request is set out below and my response follows.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

Could you please answer the following questions

1) In the last 12 months of data that you have available, how many patients were treated for wet AMD (wet age-related macular degeneration) (ICD-10 Code H35.30) with the following agents:

- A) Bevacizumab
- B) Faricimab
- C) Ranibizumab
- D) Aflibercept

2) If possible to answer, in the last 12 months of data that you have available, how many other ophthalmology patients have you treated with the following agents (please list how many for each agent separately):

- A) Bevacizumab
- B) Faricimab
- C) Ranibizumab
- D) Aflibercept

Please answer question 1, even if it is not possible to answer question 2.

Powys Response:

Q1. Please see the table below for the number of patients who were treated for wet Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) within Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB). I can confirm PTHB does not use Bevacizumab. The data below includes all appointments between 01/10/2023 and 30/09/2024.

Drug	Number of patients
Blank *	105
Eylea - Aflibercept	105
Ongavia - Ranibizumab	97
Lucentis - Ranibizumab	47
Vabysmo - Faricimab	19
NULL *	16

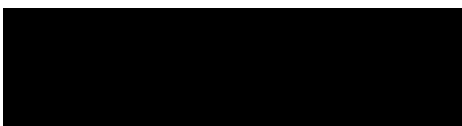
* Please note: Where fields are marked Blank/ NULL, the count is unique patients rather than eyes or appointments.

Q2. I can confirm Ophthalmologists do not administer injections with the above-mentioned agents.

Under the terms of the Health Board's Freedom of Information procedure, individuals seeking access to recorded information held by the Health Board are entitled to request an internal review of the handling of their requests. If you would like to complain about the Health Board's handling of your request, please contact us directly at the address below or register your complaint via powysfoi.foi@wales.nhs.uk

If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 0330 414 6421.

Yours sincerely



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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.