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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 13th April 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Dermatological Conditions and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. How many patients were treated in the last 4 months by the dermatology department with each of the following products:

Some of the medications are supplies in community pharmacies so we do not have data down to patient level so some of the medications are number of prescriptions issued rather than patients.

- **Abrocitinib** - 0
- **Acitretin** - 69 Prescriptions
- **Alitretinoin** - 2 Prescriptions
- **Azathioprine** - 6 Prescriptions
- **Baricitinib** - 12 Patients
- **Ciclosporin** - 33 Prescriptions
- **Dupilumab** - 158 Patients
- **Methotrexate** - 490 Prescriptions
- **Mycophenolate mofetil** - 13 Prescriptions
- **Pimecrolimus** - 2 Prescriptions

- **Phototherapy (UVB or PUVA)** - unable to ascertain as we do not keep this information but we do supply methoxypsoralen which is used with phototherapy. We have only supplied oral methoxypsoralen to 2 patients. The bath additive goes up as ward stock. We have supplied 24 bottles but unable to say how many patients this would be used for.
 - **Tacrolimus ointment** - 45 Prescriptions
 - **Tralokinumab** - 6 Patients
 - **Upadacitinib** - 5 Patients
2. **Of the patients treated in the last 4 months with any of the products listed in question 1, please provide the number of patients by the following age group:**
- **Age 6-11** - 1
 - **Age 12-17** - 1
 - **Age 18 and above** - as question 1, this is a mixture of patients and prescription
3. **If possible, could you please provide the number of patients treated in the last 4 months for Atopic Dermatitis ONLY with:**
- **Azathioprine**
 - **Ciclosporin**
 - **Methotrexate**
 - **Mycophenolate mofetil**
 - **Phototherapy (UVB or PUVA)**

The Trust cannot answer question 3 as we do not keep data regarding indication of these medications.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator