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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 16th November 2021 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 guidelines for eye conditions and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

Please could confirm if your organization has an local guidelines for the treatment for the following conditions of the eye. If you have local guidelines available please could I request a copy?

- **Neovascular age related macular degeneration (wet AMD)**
- **Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD)**
- **Diabetic macular oedema (DMO)**
- **Macular oedema secondary to central retinal vein occlusion (CRVO)**
- **Macular oedema secondary to branch retinal vein occlusion (BRVO)**
- **Choroidal neovascularization (CNV) associated with pathological myopia**
- **Vitreomacular traction (VMT)**
- **Non-infectious uveitis**

If no local guidelines are available please can you confirm if any national guidelines are used for the treatment for these conditions?

Please find enclosed the guidelines that the Trust have.

National guidelines are followed for treatment vein occlusion (CRVO and BRVO). There are no guidelines or national standards for the treatment of VMT, non-infectious uveitis or pathological myopia.

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