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## **Freedom of Information Act Disclosure log - Reply Extract**

### **You asked**

We are conducting a piece of research into Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC). Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we would like to request the information contained in the attached document. Please see template attached for your completion. Please note the updated time period.

### **Our reply**

The Trust has on two previous occasions for FoI cases numbered 17Fol586 and 18Fol019 advised you. Whilst the dates are different, the Trust's response remains the same as that of the past two replies namely:

The Trust has previously invested a number of hours trying to answer your questions, however the more we investigate, the greater the number of uncertainties arise preventing us from providing an accurate answer. We can identify which patients have been diagnosed with this particular form of cancer; however we cannot directly answer whether they are currently under our management. Their follow-up regime depends on the stage of the disease and the key items of information which help us determine whether they are technically still being monitored by the Trust are not all electronically available.

The Trust to be assured of an accurate answer would need to spend more time than allowed under the appropriate limit to be assured of providing an accurate answer and are consequentially refusing this request. The information would be held in clinical records; however the Trust has more than one million records. Even with the application of filters we estimate more than 30 minutes per record to locate, extract and collate information requested.

We are sorry that we could not be more helpful on this occasion.

We have completed the spreadsheet for your record.

### **Legal Notes:**

Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust can neither confirm nor deny in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it holds the information requested. The cost of locating, extracting and collating any relevant information from its electronic and paper based paper records would exceed the appropriate limit of 18 hours as described in section 12.-(2) of the Act and at the end of that process could not be assured it would be able to answer your questions.

**Attachments included:** Yes

**18FOI325 linked to 18Fol019 and 17Fol586 - FOI Request re Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) Patients**

Please provide the following information relating to NSCLC<sup>1</sup> patients treated<sup>2</sup> by your Trust in the 3 months, April 2018 to June 2018 inclusive.

If data is not held in a sufficient way within your Trust systems, i.e. if for example you are unable to distinguish between cancer type and/or stage, please indicate accordingly within the tables below.

	<b>Total number treated Stage IIIB/IV NSCLC Patients</b>	<b>If unable to provide number of stage IIIB/IV NSCLC patients treated, please indicate the level at which data has been provided:</b>	
Patients with NSCLC Stage IIIB/IV (Stage 3b/4) <sup>3</sup>		Total number NSCLC patients	
		Other (please specify)	
		Data not held/accessible	As per our previous response to your organisation on 19/12/2017 ref 17FOI586 and 18Fol019 Please refer to the response letter

Of the Stage IIIB/IV NSCLC patients, please indicate the number of patients treated by your Trust in the 3 months April 2018 to June 2018 inclusive, with the following therapies.

<sup>1</sup> ICD10 C33, C34

<sup>2</sup> Please indicate the number of patients (excluding clinical trial patients) treated with any active anti-cancer drug treatment.

<sup>3</sup> TNM staging for Stage IIIB NSCLC = Any T, N3, M0 or T4, N2, M0; TNM staging for Stage IV NSCLC = Any T, any N, M1  
Please include number for both those patients that present at stage III/IV and also those whose cancer has progressed to stage III/IV

	<b>Total number treated Stage IIIB/IV NSCLC Patients</b>	<b>If unable to provide number of stage IIIB/IV NSCLC patients treated, please indicate the level at which data has been provided:</b>	
Docetaxel (mono or combination therapy )		Total number NSCLC patients	
		Other (please specify)	
		Data not held/accessible	As per our previous response
Atezolizumab (Tecentriq)		Total number NSCLC patients	
		Other (please specify)	
		Data not held/accessible	As per our previous response
Nivolumab (Opdivo)		Total number NSCLC patients	
		Other (please specify)	
		Data not held/accessible	
Pembrolizumab (Keytruda)		Total number NSCLC patients	
		Other (please specify)	
		Data not held/accessible	As per our previous response

**If your trust does not treat these cancers and you refer your patients to another trust, please state to which trust(s) patients are referred:**

Not applicable

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