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Requested:

Freedom of Information request regarding Ophthalmology new patients. I would be grateful if you could answer the questions below.

- 1. Within your Trust, how many patients, in the most recent 12-month period for which data are available, have received anti-VEGF treatment **for the first time** (i.e., excluding patients who previously had any anti-VEGF therapy)?
- Of these first-time patients, please provide a breakdown by the treatments listed below: Aflibercept Brolucizumab Dexamethasone Ranibizumab All other anti-VEGF treatments
- Of these first-time patients, how many were treated for Wet Age-Related Macular Degeneration (wAMD) by each treatment? Aflibercept Brolucizumab Dexamethasone Ranibizumab All Other anti-VEGF treatments

Response:

- 1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms two hundred and seven (207) patients received anti-Vascular Eendothelial Growth Factor (VEGF) treatment for the first time for the period 1 June 2019 and 31 May 2020.
- 2. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of first time patients that received the treatments listed.

| Treatment | Number of patients |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Aflibercept | 63 |
| Brolucizumab | 0 |
| Dexamethasone | 0 |
| Ranibizumab | 143 |
| All other anti-VEGF treatments | 0 |

3. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of first time patients treated for Age-Related Macular Degeneration (wAMD) with the treatments listed.

| Treatment | Number of patients |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Aflibercept | 42 |
| Brolucizumab | 0 |
| Dexamethasone | 0 |
| Ranibizumab | 120 |
| All other anti-VEGF treatments | 0 |