

Reference:	FOI.5900.21
Subject:	Oncology treatments
Date of Request:	26 April 2021

Requested:

1. How many patients were treated (for any condition) in the past 6 months with:
 - Abiraterone
 - Apalutamide
 - Cabazitaxel
 - Darolutamide
 - Docetaxel
 - Enzalutamide
 - Ruxolitinib

2. Please provide the total number of patients treated in the last 6 months for
 - Myelofibrosis (ICD10 code D47.4)
 - Myelofibrosis (ICD10 code D47.4) – patients over the age 65
 - Prostate cancer
 - Metastatic prostate cancer

3. How many myelofibrosis (ICD10 code D47.4) patients has your trust diagnosed in the past 3 years?
 - Of these patients, how many were treated in the past 6 months with Hydroxyurea?
 - Of these patients, how many have received no active treatment in the past 6 months?

4. How many metastatic prostate cancer patients were treated in the past 6 months with:
 - Abiraterone
 - Apalutamide
 - Cabazitaxel
 - Darolutamide
 - Docetaxel
 - Enzalutamide

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with all of the information requested, as it is estimated that the cost of answering your request would exceed the “appropriate level” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. The “appropriate level” represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours (or 2 ½ working days) in determining whether the UHB holds the information, as well as locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

The ChemoCare team, who hold a central record of cancer treatments, is based within Swansea Bay University Health Board (SBUHB). In order to provide you with the information requested, the UHB would be required to conduct a manual trawl of all cancer patients’ medical records to establish the type of cancer diagnosed and therapies used to treat the patients. It is estimated that conducting

this search would take longer than the 18 hour 'appropriate limit' as stated within the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA).

The UHB is therefore applying an exemption under Section 12 of the FoIA, which provides an exemption from a public authority's obligation to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit.

However, under section 16 of the FoIA, we are required, as a public authority, to provide advice and assistance so far as it is reasonable, to individuals who have made a request under FoIA. We therefore recommend that you redirect your request to the Freedom of Information Team in SBUHB, who may be able to help you with your enquiry. The contact details are as follows:-

FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk or alternatively, you can contact: FOIA Team, Swansea Bay University Health Board, Health Board Headquarters, 1 Talbot Gateway, Port Talbot, SA12 7BR.