Reference:	FOI.3685.20
Subject:	Pharmaceuticals for free
Date of Request:	29 July 2020

## **Requested:**

- 1. Within the last 2 years, has the institution accepted or is it currently accepting any of the following drugs free of charge or for a nominal charge (eg £1):
  - Rizankizumab (Skyrizi)
  - Guselkumab (Tremfya)
  - Brodalumab (Kyntheum)
  - Ixekizumab (Taltz)
  - Secukinumab (Cosentyx)
  - Tildrakizumab (Ilumetri)
- 2. If yes to any of the above, are you able to say how long is the free of charge drug stock typically provided for each patient? For example, is it:
  - First dose
  - First month
  - First 3 months
  - Some other period?
- 3. If the Institution has not accepted manufacturer provision of free of charge drug stock, are you able to say what have been the reasons for this?

## Response:

- 1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that it has not accepted or currently accepting any of the listed drugs provided, free of charge or for a nominal charge for the period requested.
- 2. Not applicable.
- The UHB confirms its Medicines Policy does not permit the use of samples. In addition, any Free of Charge Schemes have to be approved by the All Wales Medicines Procurement Committee at an All Wales level.