

Ref FOI17 405
Date 1 November 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Please find below/attached the Isle of Wight NHS Trust's response to your request.

Please provide the following information

NB: All of the following requests are relating to the treatment of adults (16 years +) only.

1. What haematological (blood) cancers are treated at the trust?

Response – The Isle of Wight NHS Trust treat all blood cancers within the remit of a level 1 haematology service. This is Oral, Subcutaneous and intravenous chemotherapy on an outpatient basis in the Chemotherapy Suite or at home in case of oral treatment. All patients requiring in-patient chemotherapy are treated at the Tertiary Centre, University Hospital Southampton.

2. In May 2015 how many blood cancer patients were under the care of your trust?

Response - There were 5 newly diagnosed haematological cancers.

3. In May 2015 how many leukaemia patients were under the care of your trust?

Response - 2 newly diagnosed

• **How many of these are chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) patients?** Response - 2 newly diagnosed

• **How many of these are chronic myeloid leukaemia (CML) patients?** Response - 0

• **How many of these are Acute Lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) patients?** Response - 0

• **How many of these are Acute Myeloid leukaemia (AML) patients?** Response - 0

4. As of September 2017 how many blood cancer patients are under the care of your trust?

Response - 39 diagnosed between Jan 17 and September 17

5. As of September 2017 how many leukaemia patients are under the care of your trust?

Response - 7 diagnosed between Jan 17 and September 17

- **How many of these are chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) patients?**Response -3
- **How many of these are chronic myeloid leukaemia (CML) patients?** Response - 0
- **How many of these are Acute Lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL) patients?**Response 2
- **How many of these are Acute Myeloid leukaemia (AML) patients?** Response – 2

6. The total number of haematology clinical nurse specialists in your trust in May 2015. –

Response - One haematology/oncology clinical nurse specialist, 30 hours per week for question 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 and 11 (i.e. one nurse to cover all).

7. The total number of haematology clinical nurse specialists in your trust in September 2017,

Response - One, 30 hours per week.

8. The total number of blood cancer specific clinical nurse specialists in your trust in May 2015.

Response - One, 30 hours per week.

9. The total number of blood cancer specific clinical nurse specialists in your trust in September 2017.

Response - One, 30 hours per week.

10. The total number of leukaemia specific clinical nurse specialists in your trust in May 2015.

Response - One, 30 hours per week.

11. The total number of leukaemia specific clinical nurse specialists in your trust in September 2017.

Response - One, 30 hours per week.

12. Are haematology/blood cancer clinical nurse specialists at your trust required to undertake normal ward duties?

Response - No

13. Have you measured patient access to a clinical nurse specialist within your trust? If so what was the outcome of this.

Response - Regular annual patient satisfaction survey – very positive.

14. Have you measured the cost value or savings relating to haematology/blood cancer clinical nurse specialists in the trust? If so what were your findings?

Response - No but a Regular annual review takes place.

15. Do you have or plan to have any funding in place for training more haematology or blood cancer specific clinical nurse specialists?

Response - Regular review of work load. No funding for additional haematology nurse at present time. Band 6 support nurse covers all tumour sites.

If you do not have any specialised leukaemia clinical nurse specialists please answer:

16. As of September 2017 how many patients are there per haematology clinical nurse specialist in your trust?

Response - 46 diagnosed since January 17.

17. As of September 2017 how many blood cancer patients are there per haematology clinical nurse specialist in your trust?

Response - 39 diagnosed since Jan 17.

18. As of September 2017 how many leukaemia patients are there per haematology clinical nurse specialist in your trust?

Response - 7 diagnosed since Jan 17.

If you have specialised leukaemia clinical nurse specialists please answer:

19. As of September 2017 how many leukaemia patients are there per leukaemia clinical nurse specialist in your trust?

Response – The IOW NHS Trust does not have a specific leukaemia clinical nurse specialist.

Clarification requested from requestor:

Do you need information for all patients under the care of the Isle of Wight NHS Trust for numbers of diagnosed patients, or do you wish to include details of follow up patients as well?

Clarification received from requestor.

I can confirm we are asking for numbers of all patients, including those on follow-up. If you are not able to provide this, please do let me know.

Response: Please note that in order to provide the number of follow up patients it would be necessary to manually check individual patient records Health records constitute personal sensitive data as defined within the Data Protection Act 1998 and as such are exempt from provision under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please note the Isle of Wight NHS Trust came into existence on the 1.4.12 therefore we do not hold information prior to this date. If you require information prior to this date please contact the Department of Health.

Please note that this response does not constitute as consent for direct marketing.

A copy of this response will be published on the Trust website.

We would like to bring to your attention the unique status of the Isle of Wight NHS Trust which serves a resident population of 140,000 with a substantial influx of tourists during the summer months. The Trust provides acute, ambulance, community, maternity, mental health services on the Isle of Wight. As the only fully integrated service provider in England with this unique range of services, comparisons with other service providers are not always straightforward.

This letter also confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request will be held on a database by the Trust. All hard copy correspondence relating to this request will be held for one year from the date of this letter, before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are unhappy about the response you have received your first line of action should be to write and request the Trust to undertake an internal review of your application. A senior member of staff, who was not involved with your initial application, will undertake this review. If after this process you are still not satisfied with the response you receive from the Trust you can complain to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

Freedom of Information Team