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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

I am researching the treatment of Triple-Negative (ER negative, PR negative and HER2 negative) breast cancer. Could you please tell me how many patients you have treated for Triple Negative breast cancer in the last 3 months with the following systemic anti-cancer therapies:

Section 12(1) of the Act allows a public authority to refuse to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of compliance would exceed the 'appropriate limit', as defined by the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 (the Regulations). These state that this cost limit is £450 for public authorities which are not part of central government or the armed forces. The costs are calculated at £25 per hour per person regardless of the rate of pay, which means that the limit will be exceeded if the work involved would exceed 18 hours. The Trust estimates that the cost of complying with this request would significantly exceed the above limit as all patients being treated for Breast Cancer would have to have a notes manual review and reconciliation with the Chemotherapy prescribing system to establish if they were triple negative.

- a) **Anthracycline (eg doxorubicin) as single agent**
- b) **Atezolizumab + nab-paclitaxel or paclitaxel**
- c) **Capecitabine as a single agent**
- d) **Eribulin as a single agent or in combination**
- e) **PARP inhibitor (eg Olaparib)**
- f) **Pembrolizumab + chemotherapy**
- g) **Platinum (eg carboplatin, cisplatin) as a single agent**
- h) **Taxane (eg docetaxel, paclitaxel, nab-paclitaxel) as a single agent**
- i) **Taxane + Anthracycline based combinations**
- j) **Vinorelbine as a single agent**
- k) **Other active systemic anti-cancer therapy**

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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