

FOI REF: 24/850

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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:

- 1) **At the end of every wet AMD injection, what proportion of patients receive an immediate appointment for their next injection versus what proportion have to wait until additional capacity is available (e.g. after 2-3 days)?**

Usually, all patients are offered an appointment for their next visit or injection within the time frame requested by the clinician / optometrist. Appointments are only postponed to 2-3 days if the requested time frame is affected by bank holidays.

- 2) **Number of wet AMD patients and injections being treated in your Trust over the last three financial years seen (ending March)?**

| Time Interval | Patients | Eyes | Injections |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 2021/22 | 1775 | 2341 | 8099 |
| 2022/23 | 1814 | 2379 | 8591 |
| 2023/24 | 1900 | 2525 | 9111 |
| Total | 2449 | 3248 | 25801 |

- 3) Number of wet AMD patients and injections being outsourced to each private provider (e.g. SpaMedica, NewMedica, Optegra, Practice Plus Group, Circle, Ramsay, Spire, etc.) over the last three financial years (ending March)? Please segment the injections by year and by private provider.**

None – the Trust does not outsource wet AMD injections.

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

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

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Yours sincerely

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