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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 17th January 2020. Your request sought information relating to head and neck cancer. Please note that the information below relates to July – December 2019 inclusive.

1. Within your health board how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months for head and neck cancer (Squamous cell carcinoma)?

The number of patients currently being treated is not held centrally. Information can only be provided for patients at point of presentation but not at any other point in their pathway. To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of records which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI Act as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOI Act provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

2. Of these patients how many are locally advanced and how many are recurrent and/or metastatic head and neck cancer patients?

Locally advanced

Recurrent metastatic

Unknown

See question 1.



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3. Within your health trust how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months for head and neck cancer (Squamous cell carcinoma) with the following agents?

Carboplatin (only or in combination with 5-FU) - 8

Cisplatin (only or in combination with 5-FU) - 23

Cetuximab with/without chemotherapy - 0

Cetuximab with radiotherapy - <5

Pembrolizumab monotherapy - 0

Pembrolizumab with chemotherapy - 0

Nivolumab - <5

Docetaxel (only or in combination with 5-FU) - 0

Fluorouracil (5FU) - 0

Radiotherapy only - The number of patients is not held centrally. To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of records which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI Act as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOI Act provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

Other - 6

Does your health board participate in any ongoing clinical trials for the treatment of head and neck cancer patients, if so how many patients are currently taking part in clinical trials / what is the name/s of the trials?

During the time period specified no patients were recruited into head and neck cancer clinical trials.

4. Within your health board how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months with the following agent for colorectal cancer [CRC];

Aflibercept - 0

Bevacizumab - <5

Capecitabine - 21

CAPIRI - 7

CAPOX - 73

Cetuximab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX - <5

Cetuximab in combination with FOLFIRI - 7

Cetuximab in combination with FOLFOX - 5

Irinotecan - 6



FOLFIRI - 22

FOLFOX - 21

Oxaliplatin - <5

Panitumumab not in combination with FOLFIRI or FOLFOX - <5

Panitumumab in combination with FOLFIRI - <5

Panitumumab in combination with FOLFOX - <5

Nivolumab - 0

Raltitrexed - 0

Ramucirumab - 0

Regorafenib - <5

Sorafenib - 0

5FU only - <5

Tegafur Uracil + 5FU - 0

Trifluridine–tipiracil - 12

XELOX – As above

Other - 22

5. Within your health board how many patients have been treated in the past 6 months with the following agent for Renal Cell Carcinoma :

Sunitinib - 5

Avelumab + Axitinib - 0

Axinitib - <5

Cabozantinib - 14

Everolimus - 0

Lenvantinib + Everolimus - 9

Nivolumab - 16

Nivolumab + Ipilimumab - 9

Pazopanib - 95

Pembrolizumab + Axitinib - 0

Sunitinib – As above

Temsirolimus - 0

Tivozanib - 15



6. Does your health board participate in any ongoing clinical trials for the treatment of renal cell cancer patients, if so how many patients are currently taking part in clinical trials / what is the name/s of the trials?

Yes – please see below

- A Phase 3 Randomized Study Comparing Nivolumab and Ipilimumab Combination vs Placebo in Participants with Localized Renal Cell Carcinoma Who Underwent Radical or Partial Nephrectomy and Who Are at High Risk of Relapse

10 patients recruited to date. 6 of them were recruited in the time frame specified. Still open to recruitment.

- A Randomized, Double-blind, Phase 2 Trial to Assess Safety and Efficacy of Lenvatinib at Two Different Starting Doses (18 mg vs. 14 mg QD) in Combination with Everolimus (5 mg QD) in Renal Cell Carcinoma Following One Prior VEGF-Targeted Treatment

7 patients recruited in total. The study was closed to recruitment 31st July 2019.

- A Phase 3, Randomized, Open-Label Study of Nivolumab Combined with Ipilimumab Versus Sunitinib Monotherapy in Subjects with Previously Untreated, Advanced or Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma

6 patients recruited in total.

- A Phase 3, Multicenter, Randomized, Placebo-Controlled, Double-blind Study of Atezolizumab (Anti-PD-L1 Antibody) as Adjuvant Therapy in Patients with PD-L1–Selected Renal Cell Carcinoma at Intermediate to High Risk of Developing Metastasis Following Nephrectomy

<5 patients recruited in total. The study was closed to recruitment in January 2019.

Where fewer than 5 has been indicated we are unable to provide you with the exact number of patients as due to the low numbers, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

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Yours sincerely



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