

High-Tech Homecare Medicines & Services

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Please could you provide the following information:

- 1. How many patients are currently registered with your Trust who are receiving or are set to receive high-tech* homecare medicines and services?*

*Please provide this broken down by the treatment they are receiving or are set to receive. *With high-tech defined as in the [2011 Mark Hackett report](#). That is:*

- Injectable therapy, e.g. intravenous, subcutaneous or intramuscular route*
- Compounded prescription medicines whether administered by the patient or a Healthcare Professional*
- Oral therapies that require significant support such as blood level monitoring or special storage requirements*

Answer: Please see table below; note patients may be on more than one therapy.

In accordance with Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are unable to provide figures where the number of patients is less than or equal to five and could risk the identification of those patients and breach Caldicott principles. In these cases ≤ 5 is used to indicate that a figure between 1 and 5 is being suppressed.

This follows NHS Digital (formerly HSCIC) analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

<i>High Tech Therapy</i>	<i>Patient Numbers</i>
APOMORPHINE	≤ 5
AZTREONAM INFUSION	≤ 5
CEFTAZIDIME	28
COLISTIMETHATE SODIUM (COLOMYCIN) INFUSION (COLOMYCIN)	≤ 5
CEFTRIAXONE	≤ 5

DAPTOMYCIN	≤5
DEFERRIOXAMINE	≤5
ECULIZUMAB	≤5
ERTAPENEM	≤5
HOME PARENTERAL NUTRITION BAG	52
MAGNESIUM CHLORIDE IN SODIUM CHLORIDE	≤5
MEROPENEM INFUSION	11
PIPERACILLIN WITH TAZOBACTAM	27
RAVULIZUMAB	≤5
TOBRAMYCIN INFUSION	10