

Title: Treatment for Myelofibrosis

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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).

Dear Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust,

I have a freedom of information query regarding the treatment for Myelofibrosis. Could you please answer the following questions:

- 1. How many patients were treated in the past 6 months (for any disease) with:*

| | <i>No. of patients*</i> |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Ruxolitinib</i> | 24 |
| <i>Fedratinib</i> | ≤5 |

Answer: Please see table above, *note latest 6 months available for treatments are inclusive of period July to December 2022.

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authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

- 2. Does your trust treat myeloproliferative neoplasms? If not, which other trust do you refer these patients to?*

Answer: Yes.

- 3. Please provide the total number of patients treated in the last 6 months for:*

| | <i>No. of patients</i> |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Polycythaemia Vera</i> | 190 |
| <i>Myelofibrosis</i> | 27 |
| <i>Myelofibrosis (65+)</i> | 24 |

Answer: Please see table above.

4. *Of the patients treated in the past 6 months with Ruxolitinib, how many patients had a diagnosis for:*

| | <i>No. of patients</i> |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Polycythaemia Vera</i> | ≤ 5 |
| <i>Myelofibrosis</i> | 12 |

Answer: Please see table above.

5. *How many myelofibrosis (ICD10 code D47.4) patients has your trust diagnosed in the past 3 years?*

Answer: 73.

- a. *Of the patients diagnosed with myelofibrosis in the past 3 years, how many were treated in the past 6 months with Hydroxycarbamide?*

Answer: ≤ 5 .

- b. *Of the patients diagnosed with myelofibrosis in the past 3 years, how many were treated in the past 6 months with Interferon therapy?*

Answer: ≤ 5 .

- c. *Of the patients diagnosed with myelofibrosis in the past 3 years, how many have received no active treatment in the past 6 months?*

Answer: 54.