

Oesophagogastric & Biliary Tract Cancer

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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 would be grateful if you could please answer the following questions regarding patient numbers for specified diagnoses codes.

- 1. In the last 12 months, how many individual patients were treated for biliary tract cancer with the following Diagnosis Codes:*

- A) C22.1 Intrahepatic Bile Duct Carcinoma*
- B) C23 Malignant Neoplasm of Gallbladder*
- C) C24 Malignant Neoplasm of unspecified biliary tract*
- D) (If possible, could this please be further split to C24.0 Extrahepatic bile duct, C24.8 Overlapping lesion of Biliary Tract, C24.9 Biliary Tract, Unspecified).*

Could you please also provide a total unique patient number for all of the diagnosis codes above, in case they have been coded multiple times.

Answer: Please see table below representing the date range 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023.

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.

Please note that the total value has been placed in a range to incorporate the suppressed values, to avoid calculation of suppressed values from the totals. *(if information presented in table format with totals)*

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authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG's providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

ICD10-Code	Distinct Count of Patients
C22.1	34
C23X	17
C24.0	7
C24.1	≤5
C24.9	≤5
Grand Total	59 - 69

2. *In the last 12 months, how many patients were treated for Oesophagus Oesophagogastric Junction Cancer? (C16.7)*

*Answer: *37 patients, for the date range: 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023.*

** Please note that Oesophagogastric Junction Cancer is mostly coded to C16.0 and may also be coded to oesophagus lower third C15.5 if the majority of the tumour is in the lower third as NOGCA (National Oesophago-Gastric Cancer Audit) suggests, or C15.9, or C16.9.*