

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 21-193

28 April 2021

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

Please can you provide the pathway for oncology patients who have developed thromboembolism. I believe this pathway is referred to as the cancer associated thromboembolism pathway (CAT). I am after where patients admit, where they are treated and with what medication plus what if any follow ups are in place.

Re oncology patients who have developed thromboembolism:

- Where patients admit: Acute Admissions Unit (AAU), Clinical nurse specialist (CNS) team, via radiologist contacting the responsible consultant, (Community) via doctor contacting deep vein thrombosis (DVT) nurses in Bristol Royal Infirmary & the vascular laboratory
- Where patients are treated: anticoagulation arranged with either the GP, CNS team, BRI DVT nurse or by the AAU team
- What medication are patients treated with: The majority of patients on pre-existing anticoagulation will be on oral drugs – Warfarin, DOACs (Direct Oral AntiCoagulants also known as NOACs).
- What if any follow ups are in place: Patients are generally on follow up in the oncology / haematology clinics already so this just continues

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Director of Corporate Governance
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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