

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-411

4 June 2024

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 hold some of the information you are requesting

As of 1 Jan 2024:

• Total population size served by the Trust

We are able to obtain this information however we have decided to apply **Section 21** of the FOIA as this information is reasonably accessible in the public domain on the following link: [UHBW NHS - About the University Hospitals](#). Section 21 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to provide the requested information if it is already reasonably accessible and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

• Number of hospitals providing oncology services

Bristol Haematology and Oncology Centre
Weston General Hospital

• Total number of consultant haematologists employees; specialist haematology registrars employed; consultant haematologists specialising in multiple myeloma; haematology clinical nurse specialists employed and multiple myeloma clinical nurse specialists.

Consultant Haematologist - 25
Haematology CNS - 8
Haematology Specialty Registrar - 21

During 2023 (1 Jan – 31 Dec), please provide the:

• Total number of multiple myeloma (MM) cases diagnosed (Please state which code(s) were used)

48 patients. Code used ICD-10 C900

• If known, how many people were diagnosed with smouldering multiple myeloma?

Six

- **How many in-person haematology-based consultation/telephone haematology-based consultations/ video haematology-based consultation took place for people diagnosed with MM?**

Bristol Haematology and Oncology Centre:

2,481 outpatient attendances between April 2023 – March 2024.

Weston General Hospital:

We are unable to provide this information as the clinics are not diagnosis specific.

During 2023 (1 Jan – 31 Dec):

- **Were multiple myeloma (MM) patients discussed/reviewed at a MM specific MDT or general haematology MDT?**

Multiple myeloma specific MDT

- **How frequently did MDT meetings meet?**

Weekly

- **What percentage of MM patients diagnosed in 2023 were reviewed/discussed at a MDT?**

100%

- **Which professionals/disciplines are represented on MDT meetings for MM?**

Radiology, Histopathology, Myeloma Consultants, Myeloma CNSs, Clinical Trials, Radiotherapy and MDT Co-ordinator.

- **What supportive and palliative care services are available for MM patients?**

Bristol Haematology and Oncology Centre and Weston General Hospital patients have access to palliative and supportive care services

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:

Data Protection Officer
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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