

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-856

11 November 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 do not hold the information you are requesting

1. The number of people who have attended A&E and given Semaglutide as a reason for their visit, where there drug was indicated for weight management - in every year between 2022 and 2024. Please give a figure for each year.

Semaglutide also goes under brand names such as Ozempic, Saxenda, Rybelsus and Wegovy – can you please include these names in your records also.

We have searched our systems for the relevant keywords, Semaglutide, Ozempic, Saxenda, Rybelsus and Wegovy, in the Accident and Emergency 'Presenting Complaint' free text field (reason for the patient's visit), however this hasn't returned any results. Therefore, a manual search of notes would have to be undertaken to provide a definitive answer. Please note, the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

2. Please break the figures down to give details of the complications patients presented with as a result of their use of Semaglutide.

We do not hold this information.

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
Bristol
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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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