

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 25-305

7 May 2025

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

1. Please tell me how many patients aged 17 or under in the trust are currently being prescribed semaglutide (Wegovy) for weight loss? – 12

2. Please tell me how many patients are currently being prescribed tirzepatide (Mounjaro) for weight loss? – 0

3. Please tell me the age of the youngest patient currently being prescribed semaglutide (Wegovy) for weight loss? - *

We have not provided the information in the requested format as we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified, when considered with other information that may be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of information would breach the Data Protection Act. Therefore please find that Section 40 (2) exemption contained within the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is engaged. Section 40 is the exemption for personal information.

4. Please tell me the age of the youngest patient currently being prescribed tirzepatide (Mounjaro) for weight loss? – Not applicable

5. Does the trust have any plans to expand prescriptions of semaglutide or tirzepatide for weight loss to either more patients or younger age groups? If yes, please provide very brief details.

This is still under review.

6. If yes to questions 1 or 2, please specify the department and, if possible, the lead consultant/consultants where these patients are being treated.

Women and Children's Division

Under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act, relating to a breach of Principle 1 of the Data Protection Act we are required to judge as to whether the disclosure of the information would be fair and reasonable to our employees. Guidance issued by the Information Commissioner states that this exemption will commonly apply to "lists and directories of staff" and we do not believe that disclosing names and contact details to a third party would be fair or reasonable; therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

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

Publication

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Yours sincerely

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