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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 14th February 2020. Your request sought information relating to use of vedolizumab. You clarified on 17th February 2020 that you require information for both inpatients and outpatients. Please note that the information we have provided is for calendar year 2019.

1. In the last twelve months how many patients have been treated for Ulcerative Colitis?

244

a. Of these patients how many were treated with Entyvio (vedolizumab)?

Please note that we are not able to break down the number of Ulcerative Colitis patients treated with vedolizumab as this is held within individual patient notes. To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of records which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI Act as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOI Act 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.

We can, however, provide the total number of patients treated in 2019 with vedolizumab regardless of diagnosis – 77



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2. In the last twelve months how many patients have been treated for Crohn's disease?

249

a. Of the patients how many were treated with Entyvio (vedolizumab)?

Please see question 1a.

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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Yours sincerely



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