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## **Cais Rhyddid Gwybodaeth / Freedom of Information request** **Ein Cyf / Our Ref: 22-J-055**

### **You asked:**

**Recently within your Health Board there has been a prescribing review of Formoterol Beclometasone pMDI inhalers.**

**1. I would like to enquire as to the number of patients who have been moved from Fostair pMDI to Luforbec since the project started?**

The switching of patients on these inhalers has been multi-factorial and multi-disciplinary between pharmacy and medicines management and prescribers in GP practices. To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of patient records within our 49 GP practices 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 and The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 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. I would also like to enquire as to the number of patients who have subsequently been moved back from Luforbec to Fostair pMDI?**

Please see Q1.

**3. Could the Health board suggest an average time and cost allocation per patient to initially change the patients inhaler and then separately to move it back?**

Please see Q1.

**4. Would it be possible to enquire what, if any, the main reason for the patient returning to the original medication was?**

Please see Q1.



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