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Our Ref: FOI Req 180

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Dear Mr Clark

**Request for information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002**

Further to your recent enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act, please find our response below. In your request you asked for the following information:-

- *Could I obtain the number of people who were diagnosed with chemotherapy-induced febrile neutropenia and the number of deaths due to chemotherapy-induced febrile neutropenia in 2008?*

**Response:**

**NHS Western Isles is only able to provide diagnosis information for patients that were admitted to hospital.**

**In calendar year 2008, there were 7 hospital admissions to NHS Western Isles where patients had a diagnosis of D70X (not necessarily their main diagnosis). There was 1 death where a cause of death (not necessarily the underlying cause of death) was listed as D70X.**

***Data Sources:***  
**SMR01, GRO**

***Notes:***

**Figures relate only to activity at Western Isles Hospitals and do not include any patients seen by other Health Boards ICD-10 code: D70X, where D70X is any diagnosis/cause of death (not just the main diagnosis/underlying cause of death) and the ICD definition of D70X is agranulocytosis.**

If you dissatisfied with the way NHS Western Isles has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request. For this review you should write to Information Governance Manager, NHS Western Isles, 37 South Beach Street, Stornoway Isle of Lewis, HS1 2BB within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If, following the outcome of a request for review, you are still dissatisfied you have the right to make an application for a decision by the Scottish Information Commissioner under section 47(1) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. The Commissioner can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS or by telephone on 01334 464610.

If you have any further queries regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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