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Peter J Gordon

Date: 3rd December 2014
Your Ref:
Our Ref: FOI 2150

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Dear Mr Gordon,

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:

- Q1** *For the last 5 years (2009 to 2013 inclusive) could you confirm the quantity of Haloperidol issued to cover all acute and community hospitals in your NHS Board area as per each strength:*

ORAL TABLET HALOPERIDOL

0.5mg,
1.5mg,
5mg
10mg
20mg

ORAL LIQUID HALOPERIDOL

1mg/ml
2mg/ml

INJECTABLE HALOPERIDOL

5mg/ml

- A1** **Data only available from 25th September 2012 as change in computer system at that date and information before that date is not available. Therefore date used 25/09/2012 to 31/12/2013.**

ORAL TABLET HALOPERIDOL

0.5mg - 200 x 30
1.5mg - 50 x 28
5mg - 52 x 28
10mg - Nil Not stocked in Secondary Care

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ORAL LIQUID HALOPERIDOL

1mg/ml - Nil Not stocked in Secondary Care

2mg/ml - 11 x 100mls

INJECTABLE HALOPERIDOL

5mg/ml - 30 x 5

Q2 *Can you supply any protocols/guidelines in place for your NHS Board area that include Haloperidol as part of a treatment pathway.*

a) *Can you confirm if you have a protocol for Delirium and if it includes recommendation of Haloperidol?*

b) *Can you confirm if you have a protocol for Dementia and if it includes Haloperidol as a treatment option for "BPSD" (Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia)*

c) *Can you confirm when each protocol was first issued?*

d) *Can you confirm if Haloperidol is ever prescribed in those under 16 years of age?*

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a) **NHS Western Isles has a protocol for delirium it does not make reference to Haloperidol (attached).**

b) **An Integrated care Pathway (ICP) for Dementia is actively being developed but is not yet fully developed and ratified. Part of the developing draft pathway does relate to the Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia.**

c) **First issued 29/07/13.**

The general principle presently to be applied is that antipsychotic medication including haloperidol should be avoided if possible in the context of Dementia. The relevant part of the developing pathway relating to BPSD emphasises the use of non-pharmacological interventions in the first instance. If antipsychotics are used it should be for clearly defined and targeted symptoms and response reviewed regularly.

d) **No it is not prescribed for children by CAMHs.**

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If you are 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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