

Freedom of Information Report **FOI / 10023**

Question (dated:03/02/2020)
Requestor Category: whatdotheyknow

1. How many patients have received an iron infusion in the last 12 months?
2. How many patients have been treated with Monofer and how many with Ferinject?
3. What was the average weight of these patients?
4. How many patients required more than 1 gram of iron?
5. How many nurses and for what days and hours are your Iron infusion clinics available?

Response – Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust

1. How many patients have received an iron infusion in the last 12 months?

The Trust is unable to differentiate between stock and usage for IV iron as this is used by various departments. The Trust denies it holds the information requested under section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act.

2. How many patients have been treated with Monofer and how many with Ferinject?

The Trust does not issue Ferinject.

Individual patient level data for issues:

Monofer 1,000mg/10mL injection was issued to 193 patients.

Monofer 100mg/2mL (restricted use) was issued to <10patients.

Monofer 500mg/5mL was issued to 115 patients.

Monofer 1,000mg/10mL inj. (2x ampoules per OP)

Stock

Acute trust: Monofer = 2,900 amps x 100mg/2ml

Off site:

Oldham RU - 2,300 amps

Bolton RU - 2,575 amps

Rochdale RU - 1,400 amps

Wigan RU - 2,400 amps (

Total issues to external sites = 8,675 amps (347x OP)

Total issues for Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust and External sites = 11,575 (463x OP)

Monofer 500mg/5mL inj. (5x ampoules per OP) Stock was only issued to Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust Renal Unit - 350 amps (70x OP)

In line with the Office of National Statistics, where statistical numbers are less than 10; consideration to the identification of any such cohort needs to be considered. Therefore, the Trust feels it appropriate to apply an exemption under Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act and has not supplied any figures that are below 10.

3. What was the average weight of these patients?

Please see the response to Question 2. The Trust will need to conduct a manual review of all patients who have been issued with Monofer to establish this information.

It has been estimated that the time taken to extract the data would be over the timelines expected within the Freedom of Information Act.

(Exemption Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act is applied in this instance by the Trust)

4. How many patients required more than 1 gram of iron?

The Trust confirms it holds the information requested under section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act . System records could indicate where more than 1g was issued to a patient in a single transaction but without a review of individual patient records, the Trust is unable to establish the number of patients who received multiple infusions.

(Exemption Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act is applied in this instance by the Trust)

5. How many nurses and for what days and hours are your Iron infusion clinics available?

Monday to Friday – 8am to 4pm



Response – Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust

1. How many patients have received an iron infusion in the last 12 months?

The Trust is unable to differentiate between stock and usage for IV iron as this is used by various departments. The Trust denies it holds the information requested under section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act.

2. How many patients have been treated with Monofer and how many with Ferinject?

The information requested is not recorded centrally. The Trust denies it holds the information requested under section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act.

3. What was the average weight of these patients?

Please refer to the response to question 2.

4. How many patients required more than 1 gram of iron?

Please refer to the response to question 2.

5. How many nurses and for what days and hours are your Iron infusion clinics available?

**Rochdale Infirmary has 4 staff nurses who administer approximately 20 iron infusions daily between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday
The Royal Oldham Hospital has a Haematology Day Case Unit which is open Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm. There are four RNs on duty with different shift patterns. A number of other treatments are administered within this clinic with no specific iron infusion slots.**