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Dear Mr Murtagh,

RE: Freedom of Information Request 202122 / 340 - Treatment regime for known haemochromatosis patients

Your Query	Date of Request	January 2022
<p>I would like to obtain information regarding the treatment regime for known haemochromatosis patients in the care of your health authority.</p> <p>Specifically</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Between 1st March 2019 and 1st March 2020 how many known haemochromatosis patients were receiving venesection treatment ? 2) Between 1st March 2020 and 31st December 2021 how many known haemochromatosis patients, previously receiving venesection, have received no venesection treatment for their condition? 3) Between 1st March 2019 and 31st December 2021 how many known haemochromatosis patients, previously receiving venesection, have received 1-4 venesection treatments for their condition? 4) Before 1st March 2020 what criterion/criteria was used to triage haemochromatosis patients for venesection treatment ? 5) Between 1st March 2020 and 31st December 2021 what criterion/criteria was used to triage known haemochromatosis patients for venesection treatment ? 6) Between 1st March 2020 and 31st December 2021 what procedure/ methodology was used to ensure that any clinical database of haemochromatosis patients' blood levels was accurately maintained and updated? 		
<p>Response</p> <p>Patients from NHS Orkney are referred to specialist services in NHS Grampian for hemochromatosis diagnosis and treatment. The requested information on is not collated by NHS Orkney, therefore I must advise that in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 the information sought is not held.</p> <p>I would advise you to place a Freedom of Information request with NHS Grampian if you have not already done so, as details for patients from Orkney will be included in their return.</p>		

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I hope this helps with your request.

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Under section 20(1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Orkney has dealt with your request, you have a right to ask for a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request.

A request for review should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter and NHS Orkney will reply within 20 working days of receipt. Review requests should be sent in writing to Dr Louise Wilson, Director of Public Health, NHS Orkney, The Balfour, Foreland Road, Kirkwall, Orkney, KW15 1NZ or by e-mail via ork.foirequests@nhs.scot.

Requests for appeal should be made in writing to: Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS. Telephone: 01334 464610, Fax: 01334 464611, Email: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or on the online appeal portal www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal.

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer
NHS Orkney



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