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Dear

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by our Freedom of Information team on 24/04/2020.

1. How many patients with Inherited Retinal Dystrophy or Hereditary Retinal Dystrophy are registered within your Ophthalmology service?

There are currently 179 patients within our system who have had at least one inpatient spell coded H35.5 (Inherited Retinal Dystrophy or Hereditary Retinal Dystrophy). Diagnosis codes are not placed against outpatient activity. The next two questions are answered by referencing these 179 patients.

2. What is the total number of Inherited Retinal Dystrophy or Hereditary Retinal Dystrophy patients that have been seen in clinic in the 4 month period Nov 2019-Feb 2020?

49 outpatient attendances with a speciality code of 130* from the 179 patients found

3. How many new Inherited Retinal Dystrophy or Hereditary Retinal Dystrophy patients have been seen in clinic in the 4 month period Nov 2019-Feb 2020?

11 of the 49 outpatient attendances were 'first' rather than 'follow-up' appointments

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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