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### Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 19/07/2021. Please see responses to your requests below.

#### Q1. How many patients have been treated in the last 6 months (for any disease) with the following products:

Medication:	Number of patients treated:
Aranesp & Aranesp SureClick (darbepoetin alpha)	1
Eprex (epoetin alfa)	251
NeoRecormon (epoetin beta)	0
Retacrit (epoetin zeta)	0
Mircera (methoxy polyethylene glycol-epoetin beta)	0
Ferinject (ferric carboxymaltose injection/infusion)	12
Diafer (ferric derisomaltose injection)	0
Monofer (ferric derisomaltose injection)	166
Cosmofer (iron dextran injection)	3
Venofer (iron sucrose injection)	105

#### Q2. In the past 6 months could you please state the number of patients treated for the following conditions:

Condition:	Number of patients treated:
Chronic kidney disease	335
Chronic kidney disease - Stages 4 & 5	285
Acquired cystic kidney disease	5
Chronic kidney disease – new patients (excluding previously treated patients)	135 (Patients that have not been admitted before with a kidney related diagnosis).
Acquired cystic kidney disease - new patients (excluding previously treated patients)	2 (Patients that have not been admitted before with a kidney related diagnosis).

#### Q3. Please indicate the number of patients treated in the last 6 months for chronic kidney disease ONLY with each of the following products:

- Aranesp & Aranesp SureClick (darbepoetin alpha)

- **Eprex (epoetin alfa)**
- **NeoRecormon (epoetin beta)**
- **Retacrit (epoetin zeta)**
- **Mircera (methoxy polyethylene glycol-epoetin beta)**
- **Ferinject (ferric carboxymaltose injection/infusion)**
- **Diafer (ferric derisomaltose injection)**
- **Monofer (ferric derisomaltose injection)**
- **Cosmofer (iron dextran injection)**
- **Venofer (iron sucrose injection)**

The Trust is only able to provide information in relation to drug dispensing, we do not record diagnoses on our clinical systems so therefore we are unable to link the type of drug to diagnosis.

To extract this information, we would have to search through a significant amount of patient records. It is estimated that to attempt to retrieve all the information you require would take a considerable amount of retrieval time, which would exceed 18 hours. This would exceed the appropriate limit for dealing with a Freedom of Information Request, in terms of costs and therefore Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 applies.

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](mailto: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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