Ref: CORP 2021 - 019 Date: 26/02/2021

Dear \*\*\*\*

# Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information in relation to drug treatments at Velindre NHS Trust which we received on 10/02/2021.

***Your Request:***

I am analysing the treatment of lung cancer and would greatly appreciate if you could answer the following questions:

Q1. Could you please provide the total number of patients with any treatment in the last three months for:

* Total non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)
* BRAF+ non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)

Q2. In the past 3 months, how many non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) patients were treated with:

* Afatinib
* Alectinib
* Atezolizumab + Bevacizumab + Carboplatin + Paclitaxel
* Atezolizumab monotherapy
* Bevacizumab
* Brigatinib
* Ceritinib
* Crizotinib
* Dacomitinib
* Dabrafenib with Trametinib
* Docetaxel monotherapy
* Durvalumab
* Erlotinib
* Gefitinib
* Gemcitabine
* Nintedanib with Docetaxel
* Nivolumab
* Osimertinib
* Paclitaxel
* Pembrolizumab chemo in combination
* Pembrolizumab monotherapy
* Pemetrexed with Carboplatin
* Pemetrexed with Cisplatin
* Vinorelbine and cisplatin/carboplatin

**Velindre University NHS Trust response:**

We do not record this data in a format that enables us to retrieve information to the level of detail required to specifically answer this request. To accurately identify the patients, and the specifics requested about the patients, it would require manual intervention and a review of every patient note undertaken. Due to the volume of patients this would subsequently take the request over the prescribed appropriate fee limit under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

It is our estimation that to carry out this task the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit (prescribed hourly rate of £25 per hour). In reaching this decision we estimate that it would take a minimum of 24 hours to manually review the necessary information within our patient records. Therefore to obtain the data would work out at approximately 24 @ £25.00 per hour (cost permitted under the Act) = £600.00.

In our duty to advise and assist you, then we would like to give you the option to revise your request so that it falls below the prescribed appropriate limit.

However, it is recognised that in the context of this particular request it may be very difficult to be any more specific or make the request any easier for Velindre NHS Trust to comply, given the alternative requested information may still be contained within the patient record.

I trust this answers your request for information, however, should you not be satisfied with the information supplied or the process of supplying it, you have a right to complain and request a review. You should forward your complaint to:-

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Should you wish to take your complaint further, if you are still unhappy with the decision after review, you can contact the:-

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Cardiff,

CF10 2HH

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Yours sincerely

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