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Response Due: 9th March 2023

Date:

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

I am writing to request the following information about the S2 funding agreement with the EU/EEA/Switzerland.

The UK-EU Withdrawal Agreement, UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement and UK-Swiss Social Security Coordination Convention continue to give patients in the UK access to the S2 scheme, if they meet the criteria, in the European Union and Switzerland.

The deal gives reciprocal rights to access planned treatment in the UK for eligible residents of EU member states and Switzerland.

Please provide the following information:

1. How many applications from UK patients for pre-planned treatment abroad have you approved in the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022.

None.

2. For patients requesting approval through the scheme, please provide the most frequently requested treatment type for each year: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022.

N/A.

3. How many EU/EEA/Swiss patients have you approved for pre-planned treatment at your trust under the S2 scheme in the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022.

N/A.

4. For EU/EEA/Swiss patients requesting treatment at your trust under the scheme, please provide the most frequently requested treatment type for each year: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022.

N/A.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 28 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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Hazel Hendriksen Divisional Director of Operations for Specialist Services

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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