

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request concerning Eczema.  
The Trust can provide the following information:

Within your health trust do you treat patients with chronic eczema (also known as chronic dermatitis)? **Yes**

Are these patients treated at an out-patient clinic only? **Outpatient only**

If so, how many patients are currently being treated for chronic hand eczema (also known as chronic hand dermatitis)? Of these patients how many are severe chronic hand eczema?

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Please split these patients by their current drug treatment in the table below:

Treatment	Total Patients	Acitretin	Alitretinoin	Azathioprine	Ciclosporin	Methotrexate	PUVA	Potent Topical Corticosteroids	Very Potent Topical Corticosteroids
Number of Patients – currently on treatment for severe chronic hand eczema									

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