

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request concerning Asthma and COPD treatment.

The Trust can provide the following information:

. How many of your existing patients have been prescribed the following in i. 2013 and ii. 2014?

- a. Anoro
- b. Relvar
- c. Symbicort
- d. Seretide

2. How many of your new patients since April 2014 have been prescribed the following (please also provide total number of new asthma and COPD patients since that time):

- a. Anoro
- b. Relvar
- c. Symbicort
- d. Seretide

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Symbicort preps:

- 1(i) Calender year 2013: 75 unique patients
- 1(ii) 1/1/2014 – present: 52 unique patients
- 2 1/4/2014 – present: 34 unique patients

Seretide preps:

- 1(i) Calender year 2013: 312 unique patients
- 1(ii) 1/1/2014 – present: 242 unique patients
- 2 1/4/2014 – present: 165 unique patients

Relvar: approved for hospital use only June'14 – no prescriptions as yet.

Anoro: Not stocked at HUH

3. Have you begun prescribing Relvar and/or Anoro for your patients? If so, what were the reasons for adding it to your formulary? If not, why not?

The Joint Prescribing Group (JPG) agreed to approve Relvar® Ellipta®, but with the following restrictions:

- Prescribing of Relvar® was retained by Respiratory Consultant, only
- Relvar® to be classified as BLUE in formulary, hospital prescribing only.
- An inclusion / exclusion criteria, including asthma action plan, to be developed by Respiratory Consultant, and presented to the JPG for approval.
- To review at the JPG after 12 months

4. Please can you provide your prescribing guidelines for COPD and asthma including cost comparator information for inhaler device options.

Prescribing guidelines

http://www.cityandhackneyccg.nhs.uk/Downloads/gp/Formulary/Clinical%20Guidelines/CHARM_copd_guidelines.pdf



Asthma guideline
2014 Rev3.docx

5. Please can you provide any feedback on the following drugs from your specialist respiratory consultants.

- a. Anoro
- b. Relvar
- c. Symbicort
- d. Seretide

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