

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information (England) Act 2000.

Please find the relevant questions listed below. May I please request that even if you are unable to answer all questions within the specified FOI time limit, you do complete those questions for which you have data available.

I would be grateful if you could send me your responses at your earliest convenience within the statutory 20 working day period. If anything is unclear please do let me know and I will try to clarify.

Kind regards,

Shan

Please provide the below information for the following conditions that can be treated through drug-delivery to home: Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA).

1. For each of the above conditions/therapies, please indicate how many patients are treated under the following circumstances:

Total number of unique patients given

	Condition	Drug	Total number of patients		
			2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Methotrexate</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Etanercept</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Adalimumab</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Abatacept</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Golimumab</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Tocilizumab</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>10</i>
In hospital	<i>RA</i>	<i>Infliximab</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>23</i>
Hospital-provided at-home treatment	<i>RA/MS</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Methotrexate</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare	<i>RA</i>	<i>Etanercept</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>35</i>

providers					
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Adalimumab</i>	74	64	81
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Abatacept</i>	0	0	0
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Golimumab</i>	0	3	11
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Tocilizumab</i>	0	0	0
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Infliximab</i>	0	0	0
At-home treatment delivered by home healthcare providers	<i>RA</i>	<i>Certolizumab</i>	0	0	0
Total			128	150	163

Note: if year-end patient numbers are not available, please provide either a) average number of active patients during the year or b) total number of unique patients during the year. Please specify which metric you have used

2. For each home healthcare provider of drug delivery services that you use, please indicate for the last three years:
- Name of provider
 - Which home-treatment appropriate conditions they treat
 - Which drugs are provided in this service
 - How many patients are treated with the drug by this provider each year

For Rheumatology patients only:

	Condition	Drug	Total number of patients		
			2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
<i>Healthcare At Home</i>	<i>RA</i>	<i>Methotrexate</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>	<i>Not recorded</i>
<i>Healthcare At Home</i>	<i>RA</i>	<i>Adalimumab</i>	74	64	81
<i>Healthcare At Home</i>	<i>RA</i>	<i>Etanercept</i>	54	37	35
Medco	<i>RA</i>	<i>Golimumab</i>	0	3	11
Bupa	<i>RA</i>	<i>Certolizumab</i>	0	0	0
Bupa	<i>RA</i>	<i>Abatacept</i>	0	0	0
Bupa	<i>RA</i>	<i>Tocilizumab</i>	0	0	0

We are unable to supply all indications due to the time taken to extract this information. From the assessment we carried out, we have estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit' to consider your request.

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for public sector organisations is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2.5 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

3. For each of the above, please indicate the spend per-provider per-drug in each year

Unable to provide this information.

Section 43 of the Freedom of Information act exempts information which, if disclosed, would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. It protects not only the commercial interests of third parties but also the commercial interests of the Trust. It is intended to protect the ability of a public authority like the Homerton University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to obtain goods or services on the best possible commercial terms and to protect the legitimate commercial interests of its suppliers. The information you seek falls into this category.

	Condition	Drug	Total cost in year		
			2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Provider 1	<i>e.g. RA</i>	<i>Drug 1</i>			
Provider 1	<i>e.g. RA</i>	<i>Drug 2</i>			
Provider 2	<i>e.g. MS</i>	<i>Drug 1</i>			
Provider 2					
Provider 2					
Provider 2					
Provider 2					
Provider 3					