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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference:** Wet AMD, diabetic macular oedema and retinal vein occlusion (Anti VEGf services) For financial years 2022/23, 2023/24 and current YTD

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold some of the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response				Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1. For the financial years 22/23, 23/24 and current YTD, how many referrals have you received for wet AMD, diabetic macular oedema and retinal vein occlusion (Anti VEGf services) or perhaps referred to as medical retina?	Reporting_Group	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25			
	Diabetic Total	199	174	184			
	WET AMDs Total	765	684	733			
2. For the financial years 22/23, 23/24 and current YTD, how many referrals have you rejected as unsuitable or undeliverable by your Trust?	We do not reject referrals All referrals are triaged and either accepted or discharged as necessary.						
	The below table indicates what happens at these triage appointments. [Discharged, PIFU Or Referred]						
	Appointment Outcome	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25			
	Discharged Not Yet Treated	2	2	23			
	Discharged Patient Declined Treatment	6	2	1			
	Discharged previously Treated	10	13	13			
	Discharged Treated	10	8	7			
Discharged Treatment Not Required	92	80	62				

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	Patient Initiated Follow-up (PIFU)	0	0	3			
	Refer to External Trust previously Treated for Treatment	1	0	0			
	Refer to External Trust Treatment	20	8	1			
3. For the financial years 22/23, 23/24 and current YTD, how many referrals have you received, triaged, booked and completed first assessment and treatment within the 2 week RTT advised by NICE and the college of ophthalmologists?	All referrals received are triaged and booked within 2 weeks only if this is what is determined when triaged- if triage asks for 4 week appointment, this will be booked out with the 2 weeks						
4. How many patients are currently on a waiting list for an appointment for first assessment and or treatment? How many have breached the 2 week RTT?	0 patients currently waiting for a first appointment, all have been booked in in line with triage.						
5. How many patients are currently on a waiting list for a							

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follow up appointment and treatment?				
5a. How many of these have waited longer than the requested call back date stated as an outcome of their last assessment?(le overdue?) How many are overdue by more than one month? - exclude any patients who have cancelled/DNA'd/unable to attend app offered	Clinic Name	Overdue	Due	Not Overdue
	MACULAR TEAM ONLY CAPACITY ON HOLD	4	4	586
	OPHTHALMIC NEWARK CAPACITY LIST EYE INJ	37	14	201
6. Which drugs are your preferred for a new patient? Which drugs do you still use for follow-up patients?	In reference to preferred drugs Under the terms of the Act, we do not need to provide an answer as this would mean creating new information and giving an opinion. This information is not held.			
7. Does your trust follow a see and treat "one stop" clinic format?	There is a one stop see and treat for some patients on Macular clinic.			
8. Does your trust follow treat and extend protocols where clinically appropriate?	Yes			
9. How many patients have you certificated as sight impaired or severely sight impaired in the FYs 2022/23,	2022 – 56 patients certified sight impaired or severely sight impaired 2023 – 115 patients certified sight impaired or severely sight impaired 2024 – 144 patients certified sight impaired or severely sight impaired			

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2023/24 and year to date due to Wet AMD?				
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I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email [sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net](mailto:sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net).

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office, who will consider whether we have complied with our obligations under the Act and can require us to remedy any problems. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot decide unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/>.

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Yours faithfully

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