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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2023-000370 – Coagulation factors

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 04 October 2023 requesting the following information.

I would like to submit an FOI request for the following coagulation factors product:

- 1. How many patients did you treat with Bypassing agents (BPA)/Hemlibra inhibitor in Q3'23 (July, August, September 2023)?**
 - a. With BPA/Hemlibra Inhibitor?**
- 2. Please fill in the BPA/Hemlibra products utilized in July, August, and September 2023.**
- 3. How many minor and major surgeries did your BPA patients have in July, August, and September 2023?**
- 4. How many minor and major surgeries did your BPA/Hemlibra inhibitor patients have in July, August, and September 2023?**
- 5. How many breakthrough bleeds did your Hemlibra Inhibitor patients have, and what brand were they treated with?**
- 6. Were there any changes in the total number of acute bleeds treated with factor in Q3'23 as compared to Q2'23?**
- 7. Was there any change in the number of elective surgeries using factor in Q3'23 as compared to Q2'23?**
- 8. Have any BPA patients switched products between July 1st through September 30th 2023? What were the reasons for the switches?**
- 9. What is the total number of patients treated with NovoSeven at your NHS Scotland?**



Headquarters

Gyle Square, 1 South Gyle Crescent, EDINBURGH EH12 9EB

Chairperson Keith Redpath
Chief Executive Mary Morgan

I can advise you that we have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Scotland Act, 2002 an organisation does not have to provide the requested information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) cannot provide details around the treatment or surgeries of patients or the utilisation of these medicines as that detail would be held with the individual Health Board (HB) for that area (detailed below).

What we can provide you with is, Appendix 1 - Units delivered to Homecare & Pharmacy, which shows the medicines (Hemlibra/Emicizumab and Novoseven) that have been delivered to Homecare patients and pharmacies. The data is for period 2022-23. We do not hold any data prior to this period as it is obtained on an ad hoc basis.

Attached is Appendix 2 – Framework NP30119 Homecare deliveries which details data from our NP30119 Homecare Clotting Factors framework agreement on units issued to homecare patients (not necessarily utilised) broken down by month. No units have been identified in the dataset for Novoseven for the periods requested.

If you wish to contact the local HBs this can be done using the following email addresses:

Ayrshire and Arran - foi@aapct.scot.nhs.uk
Borders – foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk
Dumfries and Galloway – dg.feedback2@nhs.scot
Fife – fife.foirequestfife@nhs.scot
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Tayside – tay.informationgovernance@nhs.scot
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NHS24 – foi@nhs24.scot.nhs.uk

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the

Head of Information and Cyber Security
Digital and Security
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or at the email address nss.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their [online application form](#).

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely

