

Date: 10/07/2025
Our Ref: 10215
Enquiries to loth.freedomofinformation@nhs.scot

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – MIGRAINE TREATMENT

I write in response to your request for information in relation to migraine treatment in NHS Lothian.

Question:

1. How many patients have been treated with the following drugs in the past 4 months: Atogepant (Aquipta) – any disease; Erenumab (Aimovig) - any disease; Eptinezumab (Vyepi) – any disease; Fremanezumab (Ajovy) - any disease; Galcanezumab (Emgality) - any disease; Rimegepant (Vydura) – any disease; Botulinum Toxin (i.e., Botox, Dysport, Xeomin) - migraine ONLY.

Answer:

The information you have requested is detailed in the table below:

Treatment, February - May 2025, NHS Lothian	
Treatment	Number of patients
Atogepant	≤5
Eptinezumab	0
Erenumab	89
Fremanezumab	49
Galcanezumab	12
Rimegepant	≤5
Botulinum Toxin (Migraine Only)	230

Question:

2. How many patients have you treated in the last 4 months for acute migraine with: Rimegepant (Vydura)

Answer:

No patients have been treated with Rimegepant in the hospital setting within the past 4 months.

Question:

3. Does the trust actively initiate a treatment pause (usually at 12 months) of anti-CGRP (calcitonin gene-related peptide inhibitors) migraine treatment with the aim to re-start treatment if the patient continues to fit the criteria (Yes/No)?

Answer:

Yes, a treatment pause is actively initiated, but this is done at 24 months.

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at <https://www.foi.scot/appeal>. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the reviewer at the address at the top of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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