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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – INTRAVENOUS IMMUNOGLOBULIN

I write in response to your request for information in relation to Intravenous Immunoglobulin.

Question:

1. Do clinicians in your trust have access to Intravenous Immunoglobulin (IVIg) for the treatment of myasthenia gravis (MG)? (Y/N)
2. If no, how do clinicians get access to IVIg when treating MG patients who require IVIg treatment
3. How many gMG patients received IVIg for MG treatment in the last year
4. Do clinicians in your trust have access to therapeutic plasma exchange (PLEX) for the treatment of myasthenia gravis (MG)? (Y/N)
5. If no, how do clinicians get access to PLEX when treating MG patients who require PLEX treatment?
6. How many gMG patients received PLEX for MG treatment in the last year

Answer:

1.	Yes
2.	Not applicable
3.	We supplied 12 patients with IVIg treatment in the past year for MG
4.	I am advised that we do not hold this information (Section 17 of the Freedom of
5.	Information (Scotland) Act 2002. I am further advised that you should contact Scottish
6.	National Blood Transfusion Services - https://www.scotblood.co.uk/contact-us/

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

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If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head 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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