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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – ASTHMA PRESCRIBING

I write in response to your request for information in relation to asthma prescribing.

Question:

1. How many patients have been treated (for any condition) in the last 4 months with:

- Benralizumab
- Dupilumab
- Omalizumab
- Reslizumab
- Mepolizumab
- Tezepelumab

Answer:

August 2025 - November 2025		
Medication	Patient Count	Number of Containers Issued
Benralizumab	Information Unavailable	381
Dupilumab	287	1,093
Omalizumab	Information Unavailable	840
Reslizumab	0	0
Mepolizumab	Information Unavailable	397
Tezepelumab	Information Unavailable	446

Question:

2. How many patients have been treated in the last 4 months by the Respiratory Medicine department ONLY with:

- Dupilumab
- Omalizumab

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Answer:

August 2025 - November 2025		
Medication	Patient Count	Number of Containers Issued
Dupilumab	21	92
Omalizumab	Information Unavailable	36

For Questions 1 and 2 due to the unavailability of identifiable patient data, information regarding container issues is provided alongside patient counts.

Question:

3. How many patients have been treated in the last 4 months for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) with:
- Dupilumab
 - Mepolizumab

Answer:

No patients in NHS Lothian have been treated with dupilumab or mepolizumab for COPD in the last 4 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 www.itspublicknowledge.info/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 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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