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Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which was received within the Trust.

In accordance with S.1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that we do hold the information relevant to your request. FOI 264

Response from Luton and Dunstable University Hospital

1. Within your trust how many patients over the last 12 months (November 2019 to October 2020 or latest available) have received the following anti-VEGF treatments:

- Afibercept- **808**
- Bevacizumab-**32**
- Brolucizumab- **0**
- Dexamethasone- **19**
- Fluocinolone acetonide- **0**
- Ranibizumab-**151**

2. For the patients above, how many were new to anti-VEGF therapy? Please provide the patient numbers by the treatments listed below, excluding patients who previously had any anti-VEGF therapy. **Pharmacy do not store this information.**

- Afibercept
- Bevacizumab
- Brolucizumab

- Dexamethasone
- Fluocinolone acetonide
- Ranibizumab

Response from Bedford Hospital

I am analysing the usage of anti-VEFG treatments for eye conditions. I would greatly appreciate if you could answer two questions:

1. Within your trust how many patients over the last 12 months (November 2019 to October 2020 or latest available) have received the following anti-VEGF treatments:

- Aflibercept **622**
- Bevacizumab **34**
- Brolucizumab **0**
- Dexamethasone **2**
- Fluocinolone acetonide **0**
- Ranibizumab **325**

2. For the patients above, how many were new to anti-VEGF therapy? Please provide the patient numbers by the treatments listed below, excluding patients who previously had any anti-VEGF therapy.

- Aflibercept
- Bevacizumab
- Brolucizumab
- Dexamethasone
- Fluocinolone acetonide
- Ranibizumab

[The data for question 2 is not held.](#)

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Yours sincerely,

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