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## **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to the treatment of fungal infections.

*You asked:*

*Q1. In the last 12 months, how many patients have been treated (for any condition) with the following drugs?*

- a. Amphotericin B (Ambisome)*
- b. Caspofungin (Cancidas)*
- c. Isavuconazole (Cresemba)*
- d. Posaconazole (Noxafil)*
- e. Voriconazole (VFEND)*

*Q2a. In the last 12 months, how many hospital inpatients were diagnosed with Aspergillosis (ICD10 code: B44)?*

*Q2b. Of the above patients diagnosed with Aspergillosis in the last 12 months, how many patients were treated with the following drugs?*

- a. Amphotericin B (Ambisome)*
- b. Caspofungin (Cancidas)*
- c. Isavuconazole (Cresemba)*
- d. Posaconazole (Noxafil)*
- e. Voriconazole (VFEND)*

*Q3a. In the last 12 months, how many hospital inpatients were diagnosed with Mucormycosis (ICD10 code: B46)?*

*Q3b. Of the above patients diagnosed with Mucormycosis in the last 12 months, how many patients were treated with the following drugs?*

- a. Amphotericin B (Ambisome)*
- b. Isavuconazole (Cresemba)*
- c. Posaconazole (Noxafil)*

Trust response:

Q1.

Drug	YTD 21/22	Full Year 20/21
Amphotericin B (Ambisome)	37	52
Caspofungin (Cancidas)	46	58
Isavuconazole (Cresemba)	0	1
Posaconazole (Noxafil)	102	110
Voriconazole (VFEND)	31	45

Please note: We are unable to split by brand (in brackets).

Reporting by pharmacy is not financial month but by financial quarter, financial half year or financial full year.

Q2a. 24 patients with a total of 27 inpatient admissions were given the diagnosis code of B44 in the last 12 months.

Q2b. Pharmacy is unable to answer this question from the system. Further information would require the manual checking of patient records and is exempt under Section 12 of the Act.

Q3a. No inpatients showing with Diagnosis code B46 in the last 12 months

Q3b. Pharmacy is unable to answer this question from the system. Further information would require the manual checking of patient records and is exempt under Section 12 of the Act.