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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 Heart failure.

You asked:

- 1. In the latest 12 months of data available, how many patients have been diagnosed as having:*
 - a. Heart failure with reduced ejection fraction (HFrEF)*
 - b. Heart failure with preserved ejection fraction (HFpEF)*
- 2. How many of the HFrEF were Iron deficient?*
 - a. How Many patients received an intravenous iron treatment*
 - b. How many patients received oral iron treatment*
 - c. How many patients did not receive any iron treatment*
- 3. Of the HFrEF patients that did receive an iron treatment, how many were readmitted for any reason in the 12 months following their initial admission?*
- 4. Of the HFrEF patients that did not receive an iron treatment, how many were readmitted for any reason in the 12 months following their initial admission?*

Trust response:

The Trust does not have codes to describe the information requested, we can identify the codes for heart failure but these do not define the ejection fraction. We would only code IV iron treatment if the patient is solely admitted for the purpose of receiving the iron and would be coded with procedure code. It may be possible that this information has been entered into a patients record but in order to confirm this each patient record would need to be manually checked by a clinical staff member. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section

12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply your request and we will not be processing your request further.