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Hormone Treatments for Gender Dysphoria at Brackeburn Clinic

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting information relating to hormone treatments for gender dysphoria at the Brackeburn Clinic. I would like details regarding the following:

The number of people prescribed oestrogen as part of a gender dysphoria treatment in 2021?

The number of patients prescribed oestrogen is unknown. To provide this information would require examination of each patient's records.

The Trust considers that the cost of retrieving the information would be above the 'Appropriate Limit', as defined by the Freedom of Information Act under Section 12. Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit. The limit has been specified as £450 for public authorities such as Belfast Trust. This represents the cost of one or more persons spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.

The total number of people treated for gender dysphoria treatment between 2016 and 2021 broken down by year?

Unfortunately, Belfast Trust only have data available from 2017 as outlined below:

Year	Total Number of People Treated for Gender Dysphoria
2017	39
2018	15
2019	0
2020	36
2021	58