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Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I have a freedom of information query related to the treatment of fungal infections. Could you please answer the following questions:

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

- Amphotericin B (Ambisome) - 3
- Caspofungin (Cancidas) - 26
- Isavuconazole (Cresemba) - 2
- Posaconazole (Noxafil) - 20
- Voriconazole (VFEND) - 18

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

- **Our pharmacy system doesn't store diagnosis data, so we're unable to determine this against the prescribed treatment. To ascertain this data, the Trust would need to perform an audit of each individual patient record, which wouldn't be achievable within the s.12 timescale of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.**

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

- Amphotericin B (Ambisome)
- Caspofungin (Cancidas)
- Isavuconazole (Cresemba)
- Posaconazole (Noxafil)
- Voriconazole (VFEND)
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Q3a. In the last 12 months, how many hospital inpatients were diagnosed with Mucormycosis (ICD10 code: B46)?

We have had 0 cases of Mucormycosis in the last year

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

- Amphotericin B (Ambisome)
- Isavuconazole (Cresemba)
- Posaconazole (Noxafil)
- **Our pharmacy system doesn't store diagnosis data, so we're unable to determine this against the prescribed treatment. To ascertain this data, the Trust would need to perform an audit of each individual patient record, which wouldn't be achievable within the s.12 timescale of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.**



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