

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Wiltshire Health & Care LLP Response to Information Request

Date Request Received: 13th March 2024

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Requested Information

Patient data request for diagnosis for PoTS

Response

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Thank you for your request for information as detailed below, together with our reply. It is possible that Wiltshire Health and Care have treated people with Postural Tachycardia Syndrome (PoTS) but the diagnosis of this would only be indicated on the GP record not ours

Ref:	Question:	Response:
1	How many patients are referred to your Trust annually with a suspected diagnosis of PoTS and how many diagnosed PoTS patients are under active care under specialties within the Trust?	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.
2	Is there evidence of an increase in referrals of PoTS patients since May 2020 due to patients suffering with long-Covid?	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.
3	How many patients with a suspected or confirmed diagnosis of PoTS are seen annually in the Emergency Department or admitted as an emergency?	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.
4	To which individual specialty or specialties are PoTS patients referred for investigation, diagnosis and longer-term management? e.g., cardiology, neurology, care of the elderly, paediatrics. Please specify separately for children and adults, where applicable.	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.

5	Within your Trust do a) adult patients and b) paediatric patients diagnosed with PoTS have access to a specialised PoTS clinic or service for treatment by dedicated clinicians with an interest/expertise in the condition? If so, please provide details of specialised adult and paediatric services in place.	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.
6	Where dedicated PoTS services are available within your Trust, are there any restrictions in place around acceptance of new referrals or longer-term management of patients? Please specify any restrictions imposed	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.
7	If no specialist PoTS services are in place within your Trust, do you reject referrals (back to referring GP), accept referrals under general acute services e.g., cardiology / neurology (please specify) or refer on to a known specialist service elsewhere? (please specify where).	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.
8	How is activity coded for adult and paediatric patients with a diagnosis of PoTS attending for a first or follow up outpatient appointment or admitted to inpatient care?	Wiltshire Health and Care do not record information about Postural Tachycardia Syndrome therefore are unable to provide this data.

If you have any further queries, please contact the Information Governance Team.

Exemption(s)

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Attachment(s)

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