

RE: Freedom of Information Request 201718 / 076 – Hair Loss

Your Query	Date of Request	May 2017
<p>If possible, I am looking for numbers for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Total number of people registered having hair loss? Do you have a breakdown of this in terms of the type of alopecia? Ideally I am looking for numbers for the following areas, although I appreciate as not all of these are medical conditions you may not have numbers for all: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Alopecia areata, totalis and universalis Discoid lupus erythematosus Folliculitis decalvans Lichen Planus Follicularis (LPF) Frontal fibrosing Telogen effluvium Trichotillomania (TMM) Traction alopecia Central centrifugal cicatricial alopecia (CCCA) Tinea capitis Androgenetic alopecia Alopecia senilis Do you have numbers regarding the number of people suffering chemically induced alopecia (i.e. as a result of chemotherapy) 		
<p>Response</p> <p>We do not routinely record this information except in each individual patient's case file. Patients with these conditions will be seen at a general dermatology clinic rather than a specialist alopecia clinic. In order to answer your query accurately we need to open the case file for each patient who had attended our dermatology clinic to note the patient's diagnosis. We are therefore unable to disclose data relating to this period on the grounds of excessive cost of compliance per Section 12 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act.</p>		

