Torbay and South Devon
NHS Foundation Trust

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Our Ref: TSD10627

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Dear Sir/Madam

Request for Information

We are writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information you requested.

A copy of the information is below:

Definitions:
• Long-term follow-up: Long-term follow-up describes the ongoing clinical reviews required after completion of cancer treatment. Initially, these reviews may include surveillance investigations (e.g. imaging). Over time, once a period of clinical stability is reached, routine imaging may cease; however, follow-up continues. Long-term follow-up includes monitoring for potential late effects of treatment and the management of any issues that arise as a result.

• Late effects service: A late effects service focuses on the assessment and management of health problems that occur months or years after treatment, including those related to surgery, chemotherapy, or radiotherapy. This may be delivered as a distinct service, or as part of a broader long-term follow-up service.

• Late effects monitoring service: A late effects monitoring service provides structured, ongoing surveillance for potential late effects following cancer treatment. This typically involves regular, scheduled reviews and may include investigations (e.g. imaging, blood tests, or functional assessments) to identify late effects early, even in the absence of symptoms.

1. Please provide details of the region your NHS Trust/Health Board represent:
Torbay and South Devon

2. Does your Trust/Health Board currently provide, host, or commission any service(s) that deliver long-term follow-up and/or late effects care for patients previously treated for primary bone cancer?
No

3. If yes, please provide details of the service:

a. Service name:
b. Service location:
c. Website (if available):
d. This service is best described as a (please indicate):
i. Long-term follow-up service
ii. Late effects service
iii. Late effects monitoring service
iv. Combined long-term and late effects service v. No service provided vi. Other (please specify) vii. Don't know
Not applicable.

4. Please fill in further details of the service:
a. Referral pathway(s) into service:
b. Age eligibility:
i. Upper age limit:
ii. Lower age limit:
iii. Or no age restrictions apply
iv. Don't know
c. Geographical radius/catchment area where patients can access service:
Not applicable.

5. Please specify which patient groups are eligible to access this service (please indicate all that apply):
a. Paediatric
b. Teenage and Young Adult (TYA)
c. Adults
d. Don't know
Not applicable.

6. Which treatment intent does this service support?
a. Radical or curative treatment only
b. Palliative treatment only
c. Both radical and palliative treatment d. Don't know
Not applicable.

7. Does your Trust/Health Board permit follow up contact from the research team solely for the purpose of clarifying information provided in this Freedom of Information response?
a. Yes
b. No
Yes, If you require further information about the service or clarification of this response, please contact the Freedom of Information Team at tsdft.foirequests@nhs.net.

8. If yes, please provide preferred follow-up contact details:
As above.

9. Does your Trust/Health Board permit the information provided in this request to be used to inform patients about the availability of your long term follow up and/or late effects service for bone cancer survivors? (Information may be shared publicly for patient signposting and awareness purposes via the Bone Cancer Research Trust website).
a. Yes
b. No
Yes. The information provided in this response may be shared publicly via the Bone Cancer Research Trust website for patient signposting and awareness purposes.

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If you wish to discuss any of the above, please contact us, quoting the FOI reference number above.

If you are unhappy with the way in which we have handled your request, please contact the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Lead in the first instance. If you wish to make a formal complaint, you should write to our Complaints Manager at Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust, First Floor Bowyer Building, Torbay Hospital, Torquay TQ2 7AA or by email to tsdft.feedback@nhs.net

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or the internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner will only make a decision once you have exhausted the complaints and/or internal review process provided by us. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or through this link https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Team