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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST FOI2020/0155

Thank you for your request for information.

Wye Valley NHS Trust responds:

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The Trust is unable to provide any of the information requested due to the way that data is recorded. Information relating to GPs is not held by the Trust. This is held by individual GP practices.

Dear whomever it may concern,

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act into the number of patients within your NHS Trust who have requested referrals / second opinions for an existing course of treatment.

I have detailed the request below:

- 1. How many patients asked their GP or consultant to be referred to another professional for an existing course of treatment in the following time periods?**

Year	Number of patients who asked their GP	Number of patients who asked their Consultant
2020 (year to date)		
2019		
2018		

- 2. In how many cases was the request rejected in the following time periods?**

Year	Number of requests rejected by GPs	Number of requests rejected by Consultants
2020 (year to date)		
2019		
2018		

- 3. In how many cases did the treatment recommendation change because of the patient requesting a referral or second opinion in the following periods?**

Year	Number of GP referral requests which resulted in treatment change	Number of Consultant referral requests which resulted in treatment change
2020 (year to date)		

2019		
2018		

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Please note that a record of previous Trust FOI responses is now available to consult online by visiting:

<https://www.wyevalley.nhs.uk/about-us/information-requests/freedom-of-information-requests.aspx>

If you have queries or any concerns contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to:

Information Governance/Privacy Officer
Wye Valley NHS Trust
Monkmoor Court
31-34 Commercial Road
Hereford
HR1 2DX
Email: freedom.information@wvt.nhs.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113 www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Coordinator

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