



Access to Public Information Request

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Access to Public Information request: Medicinal Cannabinoids

Request for information:

Under the API request framework I would be grateful if you could answer the following questions regarding the dispensing of medicinal cannabinoids within the Bailiwick of Guernsey:

1. How many applications, since 31st December 2018, have been received by HSC for a licence to prescribe medicinal cannabis (i.e full spectrum cannabinoids) in all it's forms?
2. How many of these applications have been granted?
3. Of those applications refused, what were the reasons for each refusal. Please provide a breakdown of refusal reasons with regard to the total number of applications
4. Of any applications granted, what type of product was dispensed. i.e manufacturers name and manufacturers product name?
5. Of any applications granted, how many were privately funded and how many were States funded?
6. How many medical practitioners are practising in the Bailiwick of Guernsey who HSC regard as being suitably qualified to prescribe medicinal cannabis?
7. How many patients, resident to the Bailiwick, have returned to the Island having been prescribed full spectrum cannabinoid medications elsewhere, outside of the Bailiwick?

Response:

Responses to the various questions are provided below.

- 1. How many applications, since 31st December 2018, have been received by HSC for a licence to prescribe medicinal cannabis (i.e full spectrum cannabinoids) in all it's forms?**

Fewer than five applications have been made

2. How many of these applications have been granted?

None

3. Of those applications refused, what were the reasons for each refusal. Please provide a breakdown of refusal reasons with regard to the total number of applications

Requests have been refused as they were for an indication not supported by NICE Guidance NG144

4. Of any applications granted, what type of product was dispensed. i.e manufacturers name and manufacturers product name?

Not applicable

5. Of any applications granted, how many were privately funded and how many were States funded?

Not applicable

6. How many medical practitioners are practising in the Bailiwick of Guernsey who HSC regard as being suitably qualified to prescribe medicinal cannabis?

Medical practitioners wishing to prescribe medicinal cannabis would need to formally approach HSC to record their expertise and intentions. To date, no medical practitioners have done so.

7. How many patients, resident to the Bailiwick, have returned to the Island having been prescribed full spectrum cannabinoid medications elsewhere, outside of the Bailiwick?

No import licences have been granted.