

**Reference:** FOI 35943 GLO 11M

**Subject:** Biologics Pathways

*I can confirm that the CCG does hold the information requested; please see responses below:*

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p><b>1. What is the maximum number of biologics the CCG will commission for patients with rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis before an IFR needs to be submitted?</b></p>	<p>The CCG does not specify a maximum number of biologics commissioned for patients before an IFR needs to be submitted. Prescribing is based on patient suitability and appropriateness.</p>

*The information provided in this response is accurate as of 7 July 2020 and has been authorised for release by Ellen Rule, Director of Transformation & Service Redesign for NHS Gloucestershire CCG.*