



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

ATISN 14983

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Dear,

ATISN 14983 – Mental Health Provision

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 11 March. You requested the following -

- 1) *The total budget for Mental Health Provision in Wales*
- 2) *The number of NHS beds Reserved/allocated for Mental Health patients in Wales.*
- 3) *The number of detached, Mental Health Centres throughout Wales that people with Mental Health issues can access 24/7, to see a psychiatrist or clinical psychiatric nurse without having to make an appointment.*

Our Response

On Q1, the total provision for Mental Health services in Wales is £783m.

To summarise, the main NHS allocation for Mental Health services has increased to over £726.782m. A further £20m has been set aside within Welsh Government to support further improvements in mental health services, in addition to £36.260m included within the Mental Health, Wellbeing and Welsh Language Main Expenditure Group that will be issued during the financial year to support Health Boards, Local Authorities and third sector. The NHS element of this funding will be added to the local health boards' ring-fenced allocation for 2021-22.

On Q2, Stats Wales provides information on NHS Beds by speciality, which includes mental illness and can be found at the following link:

<https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Health-and-Social-Care/NHS-Hospital-Activity/NHS-Beds/nhsbeds-by-specialty>

On Q3, this information is not held centrally and would advise that this information is requested directly from the health board.

Next Steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ
or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,