

Ein cyf / Our ref: ATISN 15422

Dyddiad / Date: 24 August 2021

Dear ,

Request for information reference ATISN 15422 - Risk to Carers during Covid Pandemic

Thank you for your request dated 10 August 2021.

Information requested

You asked for the following information with regards risk to carers during the Covid pandemic:

1. If CIW has been made aware of any carer suicides, or carer suicide attempts during the Covid pandemic?
2. How many cases of carers attempting suicide, or being successful at suicide have the CIW been made aware of in the last 18 months?
3. Which Local Authority areas do these carers reside in?
4. What does CIW do to support the carers that have attempted suicide due to behaviour of social services departments?

Our response

Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) does not collect or hold the requested information.

CIW does not have a role in supporting carers; local authorities have a statutory duty to support carers. However, an important component of CIW's work is the ongoing monitoring and evaluation of local authority performance in relation to its delivery of social services functions including the support it provides for carers.

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Feedback from people receiving social care services and their carers is a key part of our evidence to inform judgments about local authority social services. Therefore, we engage with people who are receiving social care services and their carers to ensure our intelligence is informed directly by people's voices and experiences. We do this in a number of ways for example, via focus groups and interviews during inspection and calls for evidence and surveys from the public prior to undertaking inspections.

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

Yours sincerely