Grŵp lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol Health and Social Services Group



ATISN 15668

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Dear ,

ATISN 15668 - COVID19 Passport Evidence

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 09 November. You requested the following:

The scientific evidence used during the Senedd vote (08-Nov-2021) that proves COVID passes are better at lowering transmission than the vaccine itself.

Our response

Welsh Government have never suggested that the COVID pass is better than a vaccination and as such we do not hold the information you request. As a Government we have been clear that our best defence against COVID is the vaccination programme. The COVID pass has been designed to be flexible, and entry to a venue can be demonstrated in a number of ways, including vaccination, previous infection and a negative lateral flow test. Each of these methods can indicate that a person is at a lower risk of carrying and transmitting the virus to others.

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,