

14 April 2023

Dear

## **ATISN 17396 – Use of Private Healthcare**

Thank you for your e-mail to the Welsh Government requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), received on 13 April 2023 regarding the use of any Welsh Government funded health resources for private health. You requested the following:

*For the past 3 years:*

- 1. The cost value for the use of any capital equipment*
- 2. The cost of consumables during any procedure*
- 3. The cost of any staff who are not employed privately but provide professional expertise in procedure eg X rays, MRI etc.*
- 4. On how many occasions have the resources been used for private medical procedures*
- 5. Which consultants employed by HB in Wales also work privately and use WG funded facilities to support their private work- ie PA, Secretary, Clinical support.*
- 6. What is the total income broken down for the past three financial years that Welsh Government funded Health Boards generated from the above private procedures.*
- 7. What is the value of payments due to Welsh Government funded Health Boards that has remained unpaid for the past 5 years.*

## **Our Response**

The Welsh Government does not hold the level information requested. It may be possible to obtain this information from local health boards. I have attached a link to the contact details for each of the health boards as follows: [About Us - NHS Wales](#) and attached in annex 1.

## **Next steps**

The request you sent me contains personal information about you - for example, your name and address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response.

We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

Under data protection legislation, you have the right:

- to be informed of the personal data we hold about you and to access it
- to require us to rectify inaccuracies in that data
- to (in certain circumstances) object to or restrict processing
- for (in certain circumstances) your data to be 'erased'
- to (in certain circumstances) data portability
- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

For further information about the information which the Welsh Government holds and its use, or if you wish to exercise your rights under the GDPR, please see contact details below:

Data Protection Officer  
Welsh Government  
Cathays Park  
CARDIFF  
CF10 3NQ  
Email: [DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales](mailto:DataProtectionOfficer@gov.wales)

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](mailto: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,

## **Annex 1**

# **NHS Local Health Boards – Freedom of Information Contacts**

### **Aneurin Bevan**

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board  
Headquarters, St Cadoc's Hospital  
Lodge Road  
Caerleon  
Newport, NP18 3XQ  
Email: [FOI.ABB@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.ABB@wales.nhs.uk)

### **Betsi Cadwaladr**

Information Governance Department  
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board  
Ysbyty Glan Clwyd  
Sarn Lane  
Bodelwyddan  
Rhyl, LL18 5UJ  
Email: [bcu.foi@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:bcu.foi@wales.nhs.uk)

### **Cardiff and Vale**

Cardiff and Vale UHB Headquarters  
University Hospital of Wales (UHW)  
Heath Park  
Cardiff, CF14 4XW  
Email: [FOI.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.Requests@wales.nhs.uk)

### **Cwm Taf Morgannwg**

Freedom of Information Officer  
Cwm Taf Health Board  
Ynysmeurig House  
Navigation Park  
Abercynon, CF45 4SN  
E-mail: [freedomofinformation@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@wales.nhs.uk)

### **Hywel Dda**

The Freedom of Information Officer  
Hywel Dda University Health Board  
Corporate Offices  
Ystwyth Building  
St David's Park  
Job's Well Road  
Carmarthen, SA31 3BB  
Email: [FOI.HywelDda@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.HywelDda@wales.nhs.uk)

### **Powys Teaching Health Board**

Information Governance Team  
Quality & Safety Unit  
Training Department, Bronllys Hospital  
Bronllys  
Brecon  
Powys, LD3 0LS  
Email: [foi.foi@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.foi@wales.nhs.uk)

**Swansea Bay University Health Board**

FOIA Team

Swansea Bay University Health Board

1 Talbot Gateway

Baglan Energy Park

Port Talbot, SA12 7BR

Email: [FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk)

**Velindre NHS Trust**

Communications Team

Velindre NHS Trust Headquarters.

Unit 2 Charnwood Court,

Parc Nantgarw,

Nantgarw,

Cardiff, CF15 7QZ

Email: [Corporate.Services2@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Corporate.Services2@wales.nhs.uk)

**WAST**

Welsh Ambulance Service (NHS) Trust

H.M. Stanley Hospital

St Asaph

Denbighshire, LL17 0RS

Email: [FOI.amb@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.amb@wales.nhs.uk)

**Public Health Wales**

Freedom of Information Office

Public Health Wales

Floor 3, 2 Capital Quarter

Tyndall Street

Cardiff, CF10 4BZ

Email: [foi.phw@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.phw@wales.nhs.uk)

<https://phw.nhs.wales>