**Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales**

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**Information requested:**

I am part of a team of researchers undertaking work on the use of coercion in mental health systems.

For this reason, I am writing to you requesting your help and guidance in accessing information and data on the following points, pertaining to civil (non-criminal, non-forensic) Adult (aged 18 and above) inpatient psychiatric facilities:

1. The total number of patients admitted per year to psychiatric inpatient facilities, for the calendar year 1 Jan. 2016 to 31 Dec. 2016 (inclusive)
2. The total number of patients restrained in civil (non-criminal, non-forensic) Adult (aged 18 and above) inpatient psychiatric facilities
3. Of these restraint episodes, the average time of restraint in minutes
4. The legal status of those restrained, i.e. whether formal/informal/voluntary/involuntary
5. The age and gender of those restrained
6. The purpose of the restraint e.g. medication administration/seclusion/person at risk of self-harm or violence
7. The average number of episodes of restraint per patient in psychiatric inpatient facilities
8. The average number of psychiatric beds occupied on an average day in 2016
9. The population served by these psychiatric inpatient facilities, and the age/gender breakdown of the population
10. The legal definition of restraint within your country’s mental health system

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any clarification on any of the above questions. I’m sure we share your appreciation and enthusiasm for the importance of this subject matter.
Information provided for the answer:

Thank you for your email dated 14th November 2018. I regret to inform you that we do not hold the information you requested as Public Health Wales does not provide secondary care.

I suggest that you would need to contact individual Health Boards within NHS Wales. The Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC) may also hold this information:

WHSSC

http://www.whssc.wales.nhs.uk/contact-us

Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board


Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/866/page/39187

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/861/page/39134

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

http://www.cardiffandvaleuhb.wales.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information-new

Cwm Taf University Health Board

http://cwmtaf.wales/foi/

Hywel Dda University Health Board

http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/862/page/52085

Powys Teaching Health Board

http://www.powysthb.wales.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information

Velindre NHS Trust

http://www.velindre-tr.wales.nhs.uk

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