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Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

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Date request received	2nd May 2018
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Information requested:

1. The names of the respondees to the consultation in relation to the Major Trauma Centre?
2. What is name of the Minister responsible for signing off the Major Trauma Centre decision?
3. Please provide copies of the information provided to the Minister and any responses in relation to this decision.
4. How many CRITICAL CARE BEDS are available for recovering Major Trauma Cases?
5. How many actual Major Trauma Cases for year 2017 were handled by ALL providers of Trauma Care in Wales?
6. What is the approximate cost per "critical care bed " to the NHS in Wales and state current Critical Care bed occupancy rates for 2017 & 2018[End April]?

Information provided for the answer:

Contextual information

In answering your questions, it is probably helpful to firstly clarify the role and nature of the Collaborative. The term "the Collaborative" is used as a shorthand for the NHS Wales Health Collaborative. This can mean two distinct, but closely related, things:

- The chairs and chief executives of NHS Wales health boards and trusts coming together to work collaboratively across organisational boundaries

- The NHS Wales Health Collaborative **Team**, formed in 2015, which supports the collaborative working instigated by chairs and chief executives and is accountable to those chairs and chief executives

The Collaborative Team is not a body in its own right, but is hosted (but not managed) by Public Health Wales NHS Trust, on behalf of NHS Wales, under a formal hosting agreement which is signed by all ten NHS Wales chief executives and the Director of the Collaborative Team. Members of the team are employed by Public Health Wales. It is for this reason that FOI requests directed to the Collaborative Team, or relating to information potentially held by the Collaborative Team, are processed via the machinery of (and in line with the policies of) Public Health Wales.

It is important to note that the Collaborative (in either sense) has no formal authority for decision making delegated from health boards and trusts, other than for decisions that are within the normal authority of individual chairs and chief executives, as defined by their boards. As a result, the work of the Collaborative Team is frequently shaped by and/or results in formal decisions made by the boards of relevant health boards and trusts."

1. The names of the respondees to the consultation in relation to the Major Trauma Centre?

We can confirm that we hold this information; however as we intend to publish this on our website in June 2018 we are invoking a Section 22 exemption.

We received consultation responses from individuals and organisations and all of these will be published on the consultation web site in the coming weeks www.publichealthwales.org/majortraumaconsultation

Most responders identified themselves. However, it is our intention that the identities of individual responders (but not of organisations) will be redacted when we publish the responses.

This is in line with the data protection statement included in the consultation proforma:

"How we will use the views and information you give us: Any response you send us will be seen in full by NHS Wales staff dealing with the issues which this consultation is about. It may also be seen by other NHS Wales staff to help them plan future consultations. Sections of responses or complete response forms may be published as part of the report on the response to the consultation for consideration at public board meetings in March 2018. We will always identify organisations."

2. What is the name of the Minister responsible for signing off the Major Trauma Centre decision?

This was a decision for individual health boards and was not made by a Welsh Government Minister.

3. Please provide copies of the information provided to the Minister and any responses in relation to this decision.

We do not hold information about documentation provided to Welsh Government Ministers. However, this was not a ministerial decision.

4. How many CRITICAL CARE BEDS are available for recovering Major Trauma Cases?

The NHS Wales Health Collaborative does not hold this information.

5. How many actual Major Trauma Cases for year 2017 were handled by ALL providers of Trauma Care in Wales?

The Health Collaborative does not hold data for how many actual Major Trauma Cases for year 2017. These were handled by all providers of Trauma Care in Wales.

This information can be obtained from TARN. TARN is the Trauma Audit and Research Network (TARN). It records important information about the rates of survival for patients who have been injured and treated at different hospitals across England and Wales.

This information can be accessed at www.tarn.ac.uk

The database shows 1378 eligible cases recorded across the hospitals in South, Mid and West Wales for the period 2017

North Wales is part of the West Midlands trauma network. The database shows 38 eligible cases for the hospitals in North Wales for the period of 2017.

6. What is the approximate cost per "critical care bed " to the NHS in Wales and state current Critical Care bed occupancy rates for 2017 & 2018[End April]?

The NHS Wales Health Collaborative does not hold this information.

Where we cannot supply the information, under our duty to advise and assist, may we recommend that you contact the following sources who may be able to help you with your enquiry:-

Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board

http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/863/page/39302#Freedom_of_Information_Act_inquiries

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>

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