

In regard to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

I would like to request the following information on whistleblowing cases.

1. Please state the number of reported whistleblowing cases involving staff of the Trust for 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 to date.

Public Health Wales has had no cases of whistleblowing reported

2. Please break down the number of cases in each calendar year.

Not Applicable

3. In each case, please state whether wrong doing was found against the staff and what actions were taken, including but not limited to: dismissed for gross misconduct, fraud, theft, a final written warning, a verbal warning, referred to the Standards and Ethics Board etc.

Not Applicable

4. Please state the number of reported whistleblowing cases involving elected members for 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 to date.

Public Health Wales has had no cases of whistleblowing reported

5. Please break down the number of cases in each year.

Not Applicable

6. In each case, please state whether wrong doing was found against the elected member and what actions were taken, including but not limited to: dismissed for gross misconduct, fraud, theft, a final written warning, a verbal warning, referred to the Standards and Ethics Board etc.

Not Applicable

7. In 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 how many staff have been investigated for allegations of fraud, corruption, misappropriation of funds, acceptance of bribes or gifts contrary to the Bribery Act 2010 or theft? Please break this data down by calendar year.

In the years you have requested information Public Health Wales has investigated less than 5 cases of fraud, corruption, misappropriation of funds etc. This information was collected and provided in confidence and would therefore be exempt from release under Section 41 of the act, specifically, information was obtained by the public authority from any other person and (b) the disclosure of the information to the public would constitute a breach of confidence. Public Health Wales considers there is

the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. Therefore, Public Health Wales has relied upon section 40(2) and section 41 of the Act in respect of this request.

8. In each case, what were the outcomes of any such investigations? In the years you have requested information Public Health Wales has investigated less than 5 cases of fraud, corruption, misappropriation of funds etc. This information was collected and provided in confidence and would therefore be exempt from release under Section 41 of the act, specifically, information was obtained by the public authority from any other person and (b) the disclosure of the information to the public would constitute a breach of confidence. Public Health Wales considers there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. Therefore, Public Health Wales has relied upon section 40(2) and section 41 of the Act in respect of this request.

9. Please supply a copy of both your Whistleblowing Policy and your Anti Bribery Policy.

Public Health Wales does not have an Anti Bribery policy, I have attached the Whistle blowing policy to this reply

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of the decision, you should write to the Corporate Complaints Manager, Public Health Wales NHS Trust, Unit 1 Charnwood Court, Heol Billingsley, Parc Nantgarw Cardiff, CF15 7QZ.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint or review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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