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## Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

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| <b>Date request received</b>              | <b>10 November 2017</b> |
| <b>Date information is due to be sent</b> | <b>N/A</b>              |

### Information requested:

I am making this request for research purposes. I hope it will be possible to get answers to the following questions.

1. How many cycles of IVF has the authority funded in each of the financial years:
  - (a) 2014/15
  - (b) 2015/16
  - (c) 2016/17
2. What was the total amount paid by the authority in each of these years to providers in payment for IVF services?
  - (a) 2014/15
  - (b) 2015/16
  - (c) 2016/17
3. How many of the cycles stated in each year in answer to question 1 above were provided by NHS providers, and how many were provided by private or third sector providers?
  - (a) 2014/15
  - (b) 2015/16
  - (c) 2016/17
4. Are individuals for whom the authority funds IVF services given any choice

of provider? For example, does the authority procure a list of qualified providers and allow individuals eligible for IVF to choose from this list, or does the authority require individuals to use a provider nominated by the authority?

5. How, if at all have the authorities funding criteria for IVF services changed between the financial year 2014/15 and 01/11/2017. For example
- a. Has the number of cycles funded changed (if so, from what to what)
  - b. Has the minimum age changed (if so, from what to what)
  - c. Has the maximum age changed (if so, from what to what)
  - d. Has the time trying to conceive criteria changed (if so, from what to what)
  - e. Have criteria relating to previous children changed (if so, from what to what)
  - f. Have any other criteria changed or been introduced in this period, eg BMI

### **Information provided for the answer:**

Thank you for your email dated 10<sup>th</sup> November. I regret to inform you that we do not hold the information you requested. Public Health Wales does not provide secondary care and has no hospitals in its estate.

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](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>

If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the above address.

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, 3, Number 2, Capital Quarter, Tyndall Street, Cardiff, CF10 4BZ.

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:

Information Commissioner for Wales

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