

Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

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Date request received	16/10/2019
Date information is due to be sent	13/10/2019

Information Requested:

With regards to the population living in close proximity to the Great Orme, Llandudno, please provide:

1. The number of individuals who have been treated for Lyme disease in 2016/17, 2017/18, and 2018/19, separately.

Information provided for the answer:

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request.

The numbers of Lyme disease cases that you have requested are less than 5 for each of the years you have specified. Our policy is not to release numbers lower than 5, due to this potentially identifying the individuals.

In addition, we would only be able to report on the number of cases confirmed in an accredited UK laboratory (i.e. RIPL, the Porton Down Reference laboratory). We do not have information on the number of cases diagnosed and treated by GPs in the area for which laboratory confirmation has not been sought (Lyme is primarily a clinical diagnosis).

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:

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