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From: FOI (Public Health Wales)
Subject: FW: ATISN 9770 – Cancer screening in Wales in 2014
Importance: High

In regards to your request for information regarding cancer screening in Wales, detailed here:

Regarding population health screening for breast, colorectal and cervical cancer in Wales for the year 2014;

1. The number of screening kits (FOBTs) issued for colorectal cancer and invitations issued for breast and cervical cancer screening.
2. The number of screening tests undertaken for breast, colorectal and cervical cancer.
3. The data for parts 1) & 2) expressed as a percentage of the population cohort engaged in each screening programme.
4. The number of positive diagnoses from screening tests for breast, colorectal and cervical cancer.
5. The number of positive results for each of these categories expressed as a percentage of the population cohort engaged in the screening programme.
6. The number of patients subsequently cleared of any diagnosis following a positive screening result in each of these screening categories.
7. The NHS interventions that are undertaken for each positive result in each of these screening categories.
8. The number of patients engaged in NHS treatment for breast, colorectal and cervical cancer from 1st January 2014 to 30th June 2014 and the outcome of this treatment.
9. The current mortality and survival statistical trends over the last three years (2014, 2013, 2012) in Wales for breast, colorectal and cervical cancer.
10. The amount of money spent in Wales in 2014 on screening, including the following; patient reminders, small media (letters, brochures and newsletters), one-on-one education, group education, reducing patient out of pocket costs, reducing barriers to screening, identifying community needs and research tested intervention programmes.
11. The league table position of Wales across the UK nations on cancer mortality and survival rates over the last 3 years, and the same information for Wales' position across the EU.

Our Answers

In relation to questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 this information is regularly published by our Screening Services on their website, which you can find here. You can find the reports by following this link: <http://www.screeningforlife.wales.nhs.uk/statistical-reports-1>

In relation to questions 7 & 8, this information is not collected by Public Health Wales, this information may be collected by NHS Wales as whole, but I am unsure of this fact. NHS Wales can be contacted via the Health in Wales website linked to here <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/ourservices/directory/NationalProgrammesandServices>. I apologise for having to send you to another organisation, but can confirm that Public Health Wales does not hold the information you seek.

In relation to question 9, our Welsh Cancer Intelligence and Surveillance Unit (WCISU) publish yearly cancer statistics and these can be accessed by using the following link:

<http://www.wcisu.wales.nhs.uk/cancer-statistics>

In relation to question 10 The total spend on screening in 2014-15 was £35.4m. This covers all aspects of the six population screening programmes in Wales (Bowel Screening Wales, Breast Test Wales, Cervical Screening Wales, Newborn Hearing Screening Wales, Newborn Bloodspot Screening Wales and the Wales Abdominal aortic Aneurysm Screening Programmes) including programme planning, delivery, evaluation and quality assurance, screening engagement (including the activities described in your query, staff training, management overheads. It also covers the running costs of Antenatal Screening Wales which does not directly provide antenatal screening tests (as these form part of routine antenatal care) but carries out the other functions on behalf of NHS Wales.

In relation to question 11, league tables containing the information you request are held by Cancer Research UK and the Euro care study

<http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/health-professional/cancer-statistics>

You can then select a cancer type and then select "Incidence" and "Read more in-depth cancer incidence statistics" to obtain figures by UK country for each cancer type.

Euro care 5 study

[http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanonc/article/PIIS1470-2045\(13\)70546-1/fulltext](http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanonc/article/PIIS1470-2045(13)70546-1/fulltext)

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/09598049/51/15>

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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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Kind regards

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