




In regards to your request for information from Public Health Wales regarding testing for Ebola, detailed here:

- 1) How many males and females have been tested for Ebola so far this year (1st January 2014 to 11th November 2014)?
- 2) Did any test positive for Ebola?
- 3) At which hospitals were they tested?
- 4) What was the age range of the people tested? (i.e youngest age to oldest age)
- 5) Had the people tested recently visited West Africa? If so, which country?

Our answer:

1. Because the numbers are less than (<5), thereby making it exempt from FOI under Section 40(2), we are of the opinion that the exemption available under Section 40(2) of the FOI can be applied in this instance. Section 40 (2) applies to third party personal data and is exempt from disclosure under the FOIA if disclosure would breach any of the data protection principles contained within the Data Protection Act 1998. Such information would not be released under the FOIA unless there was strong public interest.
2. There have been no positive test results
3. These tests were carried out at the main Cardiff hospital, the University hospital of Wales and at Carmarthen's main hospital at Glangwilli
4. All were adults, no children have been tested.
5. People tested had visited Sierra Leone and Liberia.

If I can help further please come back to me.

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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Kind regards

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Good afternoon,

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I look forward to your response within 20 working days.

Kind regards,

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