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## Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

**FOI Reference:**

**FOI 235**

**Date request received**

**22/07/2019**

**Date information is due to be sent**

**N/A**

### Information requested:

If your trust does not take part in any post mortem activity then please do let me know via reply.

This request is being sent to both NHS hospital trust and Council governed public mortuaries. As such some questions will not be relevant to you. (Such questions have been noted in **RED**)

- 1.) What is the most amount of post mortem cases that you are able to carry out in a single post mortem session?
- 2.) How many hospital post mortem examinations did you undertake between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019? (**NHS only**)
- 3.) How many coronial post mortem examinations did you undertake between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019?
- 4.) What is the average number of hospital post mortem examinations that you have undertaken over the past 3 financial years? (**NHS only**)
- 5.) What is the average number of coronial post mortem examinations that you have undertaken over the past 3 financial years?
- 6.) How many brain & spinal cord donations have you carried out over within the mortuary over the past 3 financial years?
- 7.) How many members of staff do you employ within the mortuary? (This includes administration staff)
- 8.) What qualifications (In relation to mortuary activity) do your employees currently hold?
- 9.) What NHS pay bands are your employees in? (**NHS only**)
- 10.) What is your capacity for the storage of deceased?
- 11.) Does your mortuary charge undertakers/service users for storage of deceased? (Assuming that the deceased would remain in your care for an extended period of time once they have been released to go.)

- 12.) If the answer to question 11 is yes, are the premises risk assessed and do they coincide with HTA regulations?
- 13.) Do you store deceased patients' offsite with non NHS service users? (NHS only)
- 14.) Do you actively undertake increased risk post mortem work? (Blood borne)
- 15.) Do you actively undertake increased risk post mortem work? (Air borne)

## Information provided for the answer:

Thank you for your email received 22 July 2019. I regret to inform you that we do not hold the information you requested as we do not have responsibility for any hospitals within our trust, neither are we responsible for carrying out post mortems.

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>

Velindre NHS Trust

<http://www.velindrecc.wales.nhs.uk/contacting-us>

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

2nd Floor  
Churchill House  
Churchill Way  
Cardiff  
CF10 2HH

Telephone: 029 2067 8400

Email: [wales@ico.org.uk](mailto:wales@ico.org.uk)