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Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information, which was received on 14 December 2023, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and our response follows:

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

1. Does a strategy exist for therapy needs of children living with Cerebral Palsy for your LHB area i.e. Powys LHB, in each age category 0 - 3 and 4 - 19?
2. If a strategy does not exist, what efforts would need to be made to collate adequate data to enable a strategy to be established?
3. If a strategy exists will you please send me a copy?
4. What is the Powys LHB strategy for any vulnerable children, CYP, living with a neuro conditions, especially Cerebral Palsy?
5. If no strategy exists how does the LHB know if it has the correct mix level of therapy resources to support treatment requirements?
6. If a strategy exists will you please send me a copy?
7. What strategy does the Powys LHB have in place for children/CYP, living with Cerebral Palsy when they meet important transition points in education?
 - (a) entry into primary school
 - (b) transfer into junior school
 - (c) transfer into senior school
 - (d) life skills training for adulthood
8. What financial resources are made available by the LHB, or local Social care bodies, to families to fund 5(a) to 5(d)
9. What criteria are used to determine if external facilities/resources are used for treatments for children and CYP living with Cerebral Palsy?

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10. Does the Powys LHB have enough resources and skills to treat all children 0-3 living with CP?

11. Does the Powys LHB have enough resources and skills to treat all children 4 - 19 living with CP?

Powys Response:

Q1. I can confirm that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not have a specific strategy, however therapy needs of children living with Cerebral Palsy in Powys is included in the 'Integrated Medium-Term Plan 2022-25' (IMTP). This strategic plan is a refreshed approach implemented to support children and young people with complex care needs and disabilities including support to manage chronic disease inclusive of Cerebral Palsy.

The therapy strategic plan is informed amongst other things by:

- The six principles of the Allied Health Professions Framework for Wales.
- The Quadruple Aim for the Allied Health Professions Framework for Wales.
- Welsh Government Transition and Handover Guidance.
- The Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018.
- The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance.

There is a thread of aims and activity held locally to aid services to deliver these aims collectively.

Q2. PTHB's lead paediatrician is working with Cerebral Palsy Cymru to develop and implement a Cerebral Palsy register that will act as a repository for this type of data both locally within Powys and across Wales, with an initial pilot in Powys supported by Digital Health and Care Wales and using the WCCIS platform in 2021. The Cerebral Palsy register for Wales will now be part of CPIP 2.0 (Cerebral Palsy Integrated Pathway), originally developed through Dundee University to facilitate hip surveillance for children with Cerebral Palsy across the UK, and will be rolled out in 2024 after being piloted in Powys.

Q3. The 'Integrated Medium-Term plan 2022-25' is available at the following link:

<https://pthb.nhs.wales/about-us/key-documents/strategies-and-plans/powys-teaching-health-board-integrated-medium-term-plan-2022-2025/>.

Q4. See question 1 above.

Q5. The correct mix level of therapy resources to support treatment requirements is understood by analysing the data on population need, staffing, patient experiences, and best practice. The competencies of staff are understood against the population need and context of delivery. Treatment is aimed at helping children and young people to meet their goals and aspirations.

Q6. See question 3 above.

Q7 & Q8. As part of the IMTP, PTHB has a strategy for working together for important transitions. Pathfinder, Early Help and Team Around the Family processes help to offer a framework for supporting the individual to navigate

through important transition stages. There is a strategy for individuals to support transition from children to adult services.

PTHB commissions support from Cerebral Palsy Cymru as part of a Wales consortium to support children and young people with Cerebral Palsy. The envelope of support can be used to include support to children for categories a) and d).

Q9. Assessment of need and clinical effectiveness, as well as understanding personal goals and the neighbourhood of support that exists for the individual.

Q10 & Q11. I can confirm that PTHB has adequate resources and skills.

Should you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

If you are dissatisfied, with the way your request has been dealt with by PTHB, you have the right to request a review in which case you should write to:

Chief Executive
Powys Teaching Health Board Headquarters
Glasbury House
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If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

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Yours sincerely



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