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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 11 April 2024, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) partly holds the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and my response follows.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

NICE have announced TA943 supporting Hybrid Closed Loop systems in people living with T1 diabetes to have access to this technology. NHS England have asked ICBs to set out their plans on how they are going to deliver this. Please can you tell me:

1. When is the ICB going to implement NICE TA943 and if not what would be the reason for not doing so?
2. What policy is currently in place within the ICB for use of Hybrid Closed Loop Systems?
3. When does the ICB plan to have a policy in place in line with TA943
4. Will this policy promote patient choice - drawing your attention to NICE FAQ document on local formularies and ensuring that full choice of TA treatments is not restricted <https://www.nice.org.uk/Media/Default/About/what-we-do/NICE-guidance/NICE-technology-appraisals/Frequently-asked-questions-on-NICE-compliance.pdf>
5. Please can you also share a copy of the implementation plan that was submitted to NHS England

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In TA943 NICE recommends this technology for people living with T1 diabetes. Despite the 5-year plan, incremental funding is available to ICBs now and will not carry over. If the ICB response is unsatisfactory, I shall be taking this response to NHS England, Healthwatch & Diabetes UK.

Powys Response:

1. Due to the rural and sparsely populated nature of Powys, we do not have district general hospital services within the county. Our residents access their acute and specialist services in District General Hospitals (DGH) provided by neighbouring health boards in Wales and neighbouring NHS Trusts in England. I can confirm Powys patients with diabetes who require insulin pumps are referred to neighbouring DGH's. Please see the list below I therefore recommend you contact them directly for this information, via the following contact details:

Health Board/ Organisation	FOI Contact Details
Aneurin Bevan University Health Board	FOI.ABB@wales.nhs.uk
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	bcu.foi@wales.nhs.uk
Hywel Dda University Health Board	FOI.hyweldda@wales.nhs.uk
Swansea Bay University Health Board	FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk

NHS Trust (England)	Contact Details
Wye Valley NHS Trust	Freedom.information@WVT.nhs.uk
Shrewsbury and Telford NHS trust	Make an Enquiry - Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust (sath.nhs.uk)

2. If a patient with type 1 diabetes meets the NICE TA943 criteria and are interested in the hybrid closed loop system, the Diabetes Specialist Nurses (DSN) will request the patient's GP to refer the individual to the relevant District General Hospital. However, in some cases the DSN can refer a patient themselves.

3. Please see response to Q1 above. Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not provide specialist services for Diabetes therefore, we cannot commence Hybrid Closed Loop system.

4. I can confirm that whilst PTHB does not provide acute or specialist services, we do work with patients to promote patient choice.

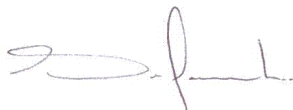
5. This is not applicable to PTHB as we do not provide acute or specialist services.

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 0330 414 6421.

Yours sincerely



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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.