

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.123.24

20 December 2024

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 25 November 2025, 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 my response follows.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

Please send me a copy of your chaperone policy and any associated equality impact assessment. Please treat this request under FOIA 2000.

Powys Response:

Please refer to the attached documents and supporting information below regarding Chaperones:

- FOI.124.24 Attachment 1 - Powys Teaching Health Board's (PTHB) safeguarding policy which covers the use of Chaperones during Intimate Examinations or Procedures within NHS Wales.
- FOI.124.24 Attachment 2 - Welsh Health Circular: Good Working Practice Principles for the use of Chaperones during intimate examinations procedures within NHS Wales. Please note this replaced PTHB's Chaperone Policy.

All staff are expected to undertake safeguarding training, the level of which will depend on their role and responsibilities within the organisation. All PTHB staff would always accommodate a request for a chaperone if requested by a patient.

Under the terms of the Health Board's Freedom of Information procedure, individuals seeking access to recorded information held by the Health Board are entitled to request an internal review of the handling of their requests. If you would like to complain about the Health Board's handling of your request, please

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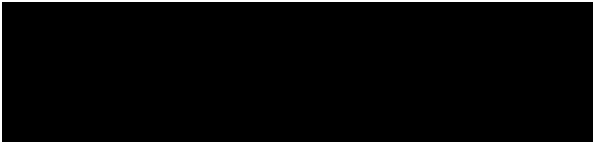


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contact us directly at the address below or register your complaint via powysfoi.foi@wales.nhs.uk

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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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb y fath ohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi.

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