



Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.061.24

30 October 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 21 October 2024, 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 find below a freedom of information request relating to clinical guidelines for the treatment of COVID-19 infection.

Does Powys Teaching Health Board have any local treatment guidelines, pathways or protocols for treatment of COVID-19 infection?	Yes/No
	If Yes, please provide a copy

Powys Response:

Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) provides access to antivirals/ nMABs in line with National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) technology appraisal TA878. Please see the following link for NICE guidance: [1 Recommendations | Nirmatrelvir plus ritonavir, sotrovimab and tocilizumab for treating COVID-19 | Guidance | NICE](#)

To support healthcare professionals who assess citizens for eligibility and suitability for these treatments, the health board has prepared a 'process' document. Please see FOI.061.24 Attachment 1 attached.

Where treatment is appropriate, it is supplied/ administered under the guidance of Patient Group Directions. Please see the following link for the Patient Group Directions: <https://pthb.nhs.wales/services/pharmacy-and-medicines-management/professionals/patient-group-directions-pgds/patient-group->

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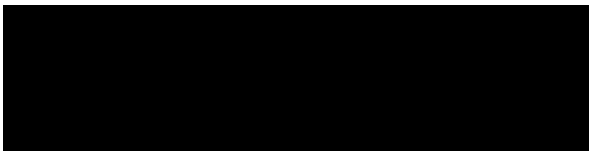
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The health board has a Standard Operating Procedure for Ordering, Management, Preparation and Administration of sotrovimab for IV Infusion for the Treatment of Covid-19 Infection. Please see the following link for the Standard operating procedure: <https://pthb.nhs.wales/services/pharmacy-and-medicines-management/professionals/policies/policies-etc-accordian/sop-documents/mmp-456-sotrovimab-prep-and-administration-v2/>

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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.