

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.031.24

14 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 19 September 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:

Please can you provide information as follows:

1. The total study leave budget held by your health board for consultant study leave, from 2010-2024 with an annual budget total for each year
2. The total study leave money given to consultants for study leave, from 2010-2024 with an annual total for each year.

### Powys Response:

Q1 & Q2. I can confirm Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not hold study budget or expenditure at a level that allows us to identify these costs. Training in the health board can be a combination of:

- i) Internally run courses by workforce or other training staff. We do not have details at a granular level to be able to identify consultant related training.
- ii) In many cases the funding available does not come into PTHB but is managed by other organisations such as Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW), or educational partners or providers (where funding pots have been distributed to them such as with the apprenticeship levy).
- iii) Other direct training costs that are coded as such in the health boards ledger. The figures over the year available are below. This however is not at a level to

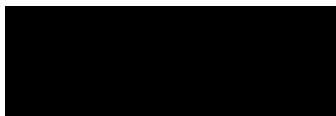
be able to identify consultant training costs and are here in total for completeness for the health board.

Year	Spend £'000
2017 - 2018	458
2018 - 2019	462
2019 - 2020	293
2020 - 2021	264
2021 - 2022	330
2022 - 2023	305
2023 - 2024	396

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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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**Deputy Director of Finance**

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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.