

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.043.24

4 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 27 September 2024, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not 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:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on NHS Continuing Healthcare in the Powys Teaching Health Board area in respect of people living with Progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP) and Corticobasal degeneration (CBD, sometimes referred to as corticobasal syndrome or CBS). My specific questions are below:

1. Please confirm the number of people in the Powys Teaching Health Board area with PSP and CBD who were receiving NHS Continuing Healthcare in the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.
  - a. People with PSP
  - b. People with CBD
  
2. Please confirm the number of applications for NHS Continuing Healthcare that the Powys Teaching Health Board received in the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 in respect of:
  - a. People with PSP
  - b. People with CBD
  
3. Of the above applications for NHS Continuing Healthcare in respect of people with PSP and CBD, please confirm the number which were:
  - a. Approved (found eligible for Continuing Healthcare)
  - b. Rejected (found ineligible for Continuing Healthcare)

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4. Of the above applications for NHS Continuing Healthcare in respect of people with PSP and CBD that were approved, please confirm the number which were for Fast Track Continuing Healthcare.

- a. People with PSP
- b. People with CBD

5. In respect of applications for Continuing Healthcare in respect of people with PSP and CBD that were rejected, please confirm the number of applications that rejected due to:

- a. Failed initial assessment (NHS Continuing care checklist)
- b. Failed full assessment (CHC Decision Support Tool)
- c. Other (please specify)

To assist you in fulfilling this request, in ICD-10 (2019) PSP is coded as G23.1, and in ICD-11 (2024) it is coded as 8A00.10.

CBD does not have a distinct ICD code but may be recorded as corticobasal degeneration or corticobasal syndrome.

Powys Response:

I can confirm that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not centrally collect the information requested above. To answer your question this would require a manual trawl of patient records from 2021 to date. We estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the fees limit of £450 set by the Freedom of Information Act. We estimate that one person would need to spend 3½ working days to determine whether the Health Board holds the information, and locating, retrieving, and extracting the information. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Health Board is therefore not obliged to comply with this part of your request.

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 contact us directly at the address below or register your complaint via [powysfoi.foi@wales.nhs.uk](mailto: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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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.