

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.168.25

6 February 2025

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 15 January 2025 and subsequent clarification received on 22 January 2025, 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:

Could you please provide data in response to the following questions:

1. Since January 1, 2020, how many incidents have been reported to your Health Board involving a wrong implant or prosthesis? Please note that this is any incident falling under the following definition: "Placement of an implant/prosthesis different from that specified in the procedural plan, either before or during the procedure. The incident is detected any time after the implant/prosthesis is placed in the patient."
2. For each incident, please provide the month, year and the implant or prosthesis involved in the procedure. In addition, please confirm the total number of cases reported between January 1 2020 and December 31 2024.
3. How many incidents fell under the definition of a Patient Safety Incident and how many were nationally reportable? Please state which cases met this definition.
4. How many incidents met the definition of a Never Event? Please state which cases were labelled as a Never Event.
5. How many incidents led to low, moderate, or severe harm to the patient?
6. What were the causes of implant/prosthesis incidents?

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7. In total, how much has the Health Board paid in damages for legal claims related to wrong implant or prosthesis incidents?

Clarification Requested:

Q3 & Q5. Please can you confirm if you require the information for all incidents or incidents involving a wrong implant or prosthesis.

Clarification Received:

To clarify, I require information related to incidents involving a wrong implant or prosthesis only.

Powys Response:

Q1 – Q7. Due to the rural and sparsely populated nature of Powys, we do not have District General Hospital (DGH) services within the county. Powys patients requiring a procedure involving a wrong implant or prosthesis would be treated in DGH's provided by neighbouring health boards in Wales and neighbouring NHS Trusts in England.

We therefore recommend you contact them directly for further information. Please see the table below for contact details:

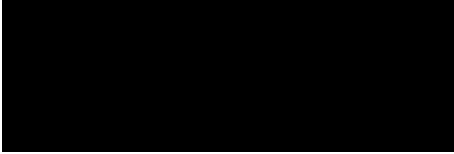
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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: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

Yours sincerely



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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.