

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.362.25

04 July 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 11 June 2025, 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 each question individually.

### Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request and Powys Response (Bold):

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding wound care services and related data collected by the Powys Teaching Health Board.

I would appreciate receiving the information in electronic format. If fulfilling this request exceeds the cost limits set under Section 12 of the Act, please let me know how it could be refined.

I would be grateful if you could provide responses to the following:

#### Q1. Wound Care Data Collection

a. Does your ICB collect or receive data on wound care, particularly for chronic wounds (e.g. leg ulcers, pressure ulcers, diabetic foot ulcers)

**Yes - as a provider Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) report all pressure ulcers (identified on our wards and within our District Nursing Teams) on the NHS Wales RL Datix System and from this an annual audit is undertaken.**

**PTHB also commissions secondary care services from neighbouring Welsh Health Boards and English providers. We do not directly receive specific wound care data. We however review their Board published**

reports which provide an overview of pressure ulcers and can ask for further information as required.

b. If not, are there plans to do so within the next 12 months.

**There are currently no plans to collect or receive data on wound care for the services we directly commission from.**

c. What specific data points are collected (e.g. wound type, healing time, product usage, care setting, clinical outcomes)

**Regarding PTHB's pressure ulcer audit, the specific data points collected consist of:**

- **If care plans were in place.**
- **If an assessment had been done.**
- **If there were skin bundles in place.**
- **Information leaflet provided to patients.**

**We are unable to comment for our commissioned services, and would recommend contacting the providers directly via the details below:**

English Health Trust/Organisation	FOI Contact Details
Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	<a href="mailto:ghn-tr.foi@nhs.net">ghn-tr.foi@nhs.net</a>
The Robert Jones Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	<a href="mailto:rjah.foi@nhs.net">rjah.foi@nhs.net</a>
Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:swb-tr.SWBH-GM-FOIRequests@nhs.net">swb-tr.SWBH-GM-FOIRequests@nhs.net</a>
The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:sath.foi@nhs.net">sath.foi@nhs.net</a>
The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:rwh-tr.foi@nhs.net">rwh-tr.foi@nhs.net</a>
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:wah-tr.FOI@nhs.net">wah-tr.FOI@nhs.net</a>
Wye Valley NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:Freedom.Information@wvt.nhs.uk">Freedom.Information@wvt.nhs.uk</a>

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Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board	<a href="mailto:Freedomofinformation@wales.nhs.uk">Freedomofinformation@wales.nhs.uk</a>
Hywel Dda University Health Board	<a href="mailto:FOI.hyweldda@wales.nhs.uk">FOI.hyweldda@wales.nhs.uk</a>
Swansea Bay University Health Board	<a href="mailto:FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk">FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk</a>
Velindre University NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:Foi.vunhst@wales.nhs.uk">Foi.vunhst@wales.nhs.uk</a>

d. How is this data collected (e.g. electronic patient records, community health systems, audits)

**For PTHB as a provider I can confirm the data is collected within the NHS Wales RL Datix System and within the pressure ulcer audit.**

e. Is data collection standardised across providers within your ICB footprint  
**Please see Q1a above.**

## Q2. Data Usage and Sharing

a. For what purposes is wound care data used (e.g. commissioning, performance management, service planning).

**As per Q1b, PTHB review quality board reports which include pressure ulcer data. This is viewed from a commissioning quality perspective (see below). Services will monitor the audit data and identify good practice to share and celebrate this with the teams. They will also identify areas for improvement to feedback to teams to ensure learning is taken and embedded to constantly improve our clinical care.**

**For commissioned services, the information in the reports helps the service to identify where there are challenges impacting on patient outcomes and enable us to engage with the providers to understand the actions being taken to address these, monitor the impact of the actions, and work collaboratively with the provider (where relevant) to ensure the relevant/appropriate actions are undertaken.**

b. Is this data shared outside your organisation (e.g. NHS England, research bodies, suppliers)? If yes, under what governance or agreements?  
**PTHB do not share this information.**

## Q3. Technology and Digital Systems

a. What digital systems or platforms are currently used for recording and managing wound care data (e.g. EMIS, SystemOne, bespoke solutions) - **Please see Q1a above.**

b. Are there any current or upcoming digital transformation initiatives focused on wound care - **Please see Q1a above.**

## Q4. Spend and Commissioning

a. Does your ICB hold data on spend related to wound care (e.g. dressings, devices, service delivery). - **PTHB as a provider does hold data relating to provision of wound care dressings in county (including community services) or primary care (including care homes).**

**We do not receive/hold this level of data for our commissioned services.**

b. Are wound care services commissioned centrally by the ICB or delegated to Place or provider level. - **We do not specifically commission wound care via our commissioned services as it comes as part of the overriding requirement of service provision within a secondary care contract.**

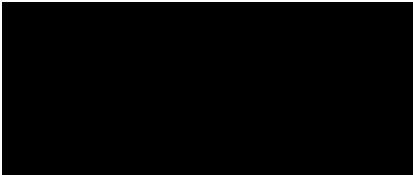
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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: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