

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.252.25

17 April 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 25 March 2025, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) partially 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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

Q1. How many patients presented at your A&E departments with mental ill health (psychiatric, psychological, and/or behavioural disturbances/changes) as the primary issue each year between and including 2019 to 2025? Please include data up to the end of February 2025.

Q2. How many patients identified in question 1 waited more than 12 hours for transfer to a bed in a mental health unit after a decision to admit? Please provide year by year data between and including 2019 to 2025 and include data up to the end of February 2025.

Q3. How many incidents of physical violence carried out towards staff by all patients were reported each year between and including 2019 to 2025 in your A+E departments? Please include data up to the end of February 2025.

I would like you to provide the information in the following format: Excel Spreadsheet.

### Powys Response:

I can confirm that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not have Accident and Emergency (A&E) departments, only Minor Injury Units (MIU).

Q1. Please see Attachment 1 for the number of patients who presented at PTHB's MIU departments with mental ill health as the primary issue for the period requested.

Q2. I can confirm we would not transfer patients to a Mental Health unit for admission as we do not assess Mental Health presentations within the MIU's.

Q3. I can confirm that one incident occurred between 2019 to 2025.

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 [powys.foi@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:powys.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.