

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.316.25

23 May 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 7 May 2025, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does 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 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information relating to your Accident & Emergency (A&E) department guideline procedure for referring patients with hip pain to MRI scans:

Q1. What are A&E guideline procedures for referring patients presenting with hip pain to MRI scans?

Q2. Total number of compensation claims received for missed or delayed hip and or/ femoral neck stress fractures

Powys Response:

Please note: Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not have Accident and Emergency (A&E) departments, only Minor Injury Units (MIU).

Q1. I can confirm Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) MIU departments at present do not provide treatment for Hip injuries. Anyone presenting with hip pain are transferred to a District General Hospitals (DGH) for treatment and management plan under orthopaedics the same day.

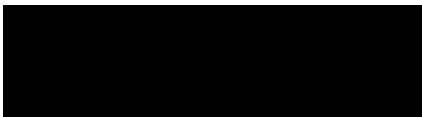
There are no Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) scanners accessible within Powys, all patients that would require an MRI scan would be transferred to a DGH for review, who would take over the care and treatment pathway.

Q2. I can confirm that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) are unable to accurately collect this information on the number of compensation claims received for missed or delayed hip and or/ femoral neck stress fractures due to the way the information is captured on our system.

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

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.