

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.556.25

06 November 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 23 October 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 the Health Board's response follows.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

I request the following information concerning the cancer medicine pembrolizumab (brand name Keytruda).

Q1. For each of the past 10 financial years (2014/15 to 2023/24, or the most recent 10-year period available), please provide the number of individual patients treated with Pembrolizumab. If it is not possible to provide this information, please explain why.

Q2. For each of the six patients who were/have been on Pembrolizumab for the longest, what has it cost the NHS per patient? If it is not possible to provide this information, please explain why.

Q3. For each of the past 5 financial years (2019/20 to 2023/24, or the most recent 5-year period available), how many legal challenges or complaints have you had regarding Pembrolizumab and what was the nature of each of these? If it is not possible to provide this information, please explain why.

Q4. For each of the past 10 financial years (2019/20 to 2023/24, or the most recent 10-year period available), how many adverse events, and separately, serious adverse events, have you had which reference Pembrolizumab? If it is not possible to provide this information, please explain why.

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Please provide the information in a clear, digital format such as Word, PDF, or spreadsheet (.xlsx or .csv) to facilitate analysis.

Additional notes:

If data is not available for the full period requested, please provide data for as many years as available. If any requested information is not held centrally or is not available in the exact format requested, please provide what information is available and explain the limitations.

Powys Response:

Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not have District General Hospital (DGH) services or provide cancer services. PTHB does not initiate treatment with the medicine listed; patients may be treated by providers outside of Powys. The Health Board commissions these services from a number of Welsh Health Boards and English provider organisations.

Due to the complex nature of these commissioning arrangements, not all of our providers indicate the indication for use for each episode of care where these drugs are used. For this reason, PTHB does not hold the data relating to your request. However, the Health Board is working closely with providers to ensure that this information can be provided in the future.

We therefore recommend that you approach our provider organisations directly for this information. The table below lists the main health boards and NHS Trust from which we commission health services for Powys residents. Please note that all providers may not necessarily offer services that fall within the definition in your request.

Health Trust/Organisation	FOI Contact Details
Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	ghn-tr.foi@nhs.net
Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust	FOI@mpft.nhs.uk
The Robert Jones Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust	rjah.foi@nhs.net
Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust	swb-tr.SWBH-GM-FOIRequests@nhs.net
The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust	sath.foi@nhs.net
The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust	rwh-tr.foi@nhs.net
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust	wah-tr.FOI@nhs.net
Wye Valley NHS Trust	Freedom.Information@wvt.nhs.uk

Health Board/Organisation	FOI Contact Details
Aneurin Bevan University Health Board	FOI.ABB@wales.nhs.uk
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	bcu.foi@wales.nhs.uk
Cardiff & Vale University Health Board	FOI.Requests@wales.nhs.uk
Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board	CTM.FreedomOfInformation@wales.nhs.uk
Hywel Dda University Health Board	FOI.hyweldda@wales.nhs.uk

Swansea Bay University Health Board

FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk

Velindre University NHS Trust

Foi.vunhst@wales.nhs.uk

If you have queries or any concerns, contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request and wish to ask for a review of this, please contact us and we will arrange for this to be done.

Further information is available from the Information Commissioner's Office who can be contacted at:

Address: Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH.

Telephone: 0330 414 6421

Complaints Portal: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

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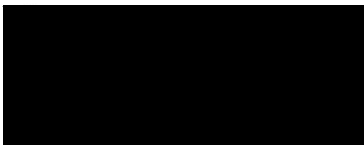
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Further information including a sample license terms and fees can be found at Open Government Licence.

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.