

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.162.26

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 13 April 2026, 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 am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000(FOIA) (or the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA), where applicable. Please treat this as a request for recorded information held by Powys Teaching Health Board.

This request is to understand publicly recorded information about headache/migraine service configuration and staffing to inform health system engagement planning. No commercial promotion is intended.

We are contacting the FOI/Information Governance function only for recorded information. We are not requesting any clinical advice or patient-level data.

To help you respond efficiently, I have set out the questions below and provided definitions. If any part of this request exceeds the appropriate cost limit or requires clarification, please advise how it may be refined to fall within the limit.

### Definitions (for this request):

'Headache & migraine service' means any commissioned, hosted, or directly provided service/clinic (secondary care, community, or integrate) that offers assessment and/or ongoing management of headache disorders (including migraine) for adults and/or children, whether stand-alone or embedded within neurology/pain services.

'Clinical/service lead' means the named clinician responsible for clinical leadership of the headache/migraine service/pathway (e.g., consultant neurologist, GPwER, or other appointed lead).

'Workforce size' refers to staff who work within, or are formally allocated to, the headache/migraine service/pathway. Please provide both headcount and Whole Time Equivalent (WTE), where available.

**Requested information (please answer for your organisation):**

Q1. Service existence and configuration

(a) Does your NHS body host, or directly provide a dedicated headache and/or migraine service/clinic? If yes, please specify whether it is: dedicated headache clinic; migraine clinic; neurology clinic with dedicated headache sessions; community service; or other (please describe).

(b) Please provide the service name(s), provider organisation(s)/site(s), and patient group(s) served (adult, paediatric, or both).

Q2. Named clinical/service lead

(a) Please provide the name, job title, and employing organisation of the current named clinical/service lead for the headache/migraine service/pathway.

(b) If there is no single named lead, please provide the name(s) and title(s) of the most senior clinician(s) responsible for headache/migraine care/pathway governance.

Q3. Workforce size (headcount and WTE)

For the most recent 12-month period available (or the latest point-in-time establishment), please provide the staffing complement allocated to the headache/migraine service/pathway, broken down as follows:

(a) Nurses (including headache specialist nurses/ANPs) – headcount and WTE, and banding (e.g., Agenda for Change band) if recorded.

(b) Pharmacists (clinical pharmacists, prescribing pharmacists, medicines optimisation) – headcount and WTE, and banding/grade if recorded.

(c) Administrative/clerical staff – headcount and WTE, and banding/grade if recorded.

(d) Any other staff groups materially involved in the service (optional but helpful): consultants/medical staff, allied health professionals, psychologist, physician associates – headcount and WTE.

Q4. Service capacity indicators (optional but helpful)

(a) Number of headache/migraine clinics/sessions delivered per week or per month (or annual total).

(b) Number of new and follow-up appointments for headache/migraine in the last 12 months (if recorded).

(c) Current waiting time for first appointment (e.g., median or RTT measure used locally) for headache/migraine referrals.

Preferred response format:

Please provide the response by email. If it is easier, questions 1–3 can be answered in a simple table (e.g., Excel) with headings matching the questions above. Where exact WTE is not recorded, an establishment figure or best available recorded proxy is acceptable (please state which).

Data protection note:

This request is for organisational/service information. Where you consider that a personal data exemption applies (e.g., if you believe naming an individual is not appropriate), please provide the job title/role and the responsible team/directorate instead.

Powys Response:

I can confirm that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not host or directly provide a dedicated headache or migraine service or clinic. Powys residents requiring these services are referred to neighbouring Health Boards. 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.

<b>Health Trust/Organisation</b>	<b>FOI Contact Details</b>
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
<b>Health Board/Organisation</b>	<b>FOI Contact Details</b>
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 are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Should you wish an internal review, please quote the reference number and send your correspondence to the above address.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner 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](http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints)

Web site: <https://ico.org.uk/>

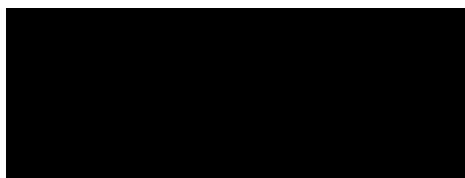
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Under the terms of the Regulations, the Health Board will licence the re-use of any or all information supplied if being used in a form and for the purpose other than which it was originally supplied. This license for re-use will be in line with the requirements of the Regulations and the licensing terms and fees as laid down by the Office of Public Sector Information (OPSI). Most licenses will be free; however, the Health Board reserves the right, in certain circumstances to charge a fee for the re-use of some information which it deems to be of commercial value.

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.

