

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.060.26

11 March 2026

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 February 2026, 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, but have applied an exemption to elements of this request. For ease of reference your request is set out below and the Health Board's response.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information act. I am seeking hospital-level activity data within your health authority, as outlined below.

Dataset 1: ICD-10 Diagnosis Data

For each hospital, please provide:

- From 2022 up to the latest data available, preferably by calendar year
- Primary (first) diagnosis ICD-10 codes (three or more characters), chapters A–Q only, including patients outsourced to the private sector
- Number of cases per ICD-10 code
- Hospital name and postcode

Dataset 2: Procedures / Surgery Data

For each hospital, please provide:

- From 2022 up to the latest data available, preferably by calendar year
- Primary procedure OPCS codes, all chapters, including patients outsourced to the private sector
- Number of cases per OPCS code
- Hospital name and postcode

With regard to case numbers for both ICD-10 and OPCS data, we recognise that disclosure controls may apply where case numbers are fewer than five. In such

instances, please indicate the value as "<5" or similar format, depending on your small-case policy.

We would be grateful if the data could be provided in a machine-readable format (for example, CSV or Excel), if possible.

Powys Response:

Please find enclosed FOI.060.26 Attachment 1 which contains ICD-10 (A-Q) and OPCS codes from 01-01-2022 to 26-02-2026 for Powys hospitals.

Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) has applied Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 where information in the attachment has been replaced with <5.

PTHB is unable to provide the exact numbers due to the low numbers of individuals involved (5 or less). PTHB believes there is a potential risk of individuals being able to be identified, when considered with other information already available within the public domain, if this was disclosed. Therefore, the data is classed as personal data as defined under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of UK GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

Please note

- The information provided is for Powys provider services and we do not hold data for patients outsourced to the private sector.
- Postcodes can be found by clicking on each Hospital site on the following link: [All Hospitals and Centres - Powys Teaching Health Board](#)

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

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

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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.