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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 June 2026, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) partly holds the information that you require. For ease of reference your request is set out below and the Health Board's response follows each question individually.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request and Powys Response (Bold):

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information. It would be very helpful if you could provide any information held by your health board regarding:

Due to the rural and sparsely populated nature of Powys, there are no safe and sustainable options for providing district general hospital services within the county. Powys resident and visitors will therefore access these services in neighbouring health boards in Wales and neighbouring NHS Trusts in England.

The primary routes for overseas visitors to access urgent treatment in the UK will therefore include A&E, MIU, NHS 111 Wales and primary care services.

Powys Teaching Health Board does not hold information regarding overseas visitors attending primary care services or contacting NHS 111 Wales. Our response therefore focused on attendances at Minor Injury Units which, in line with national guidance, are free at the point of delivery for everyone, regardless of where they are resident.

Q1. The total number of chargeable overseas visitors (patients who are not ordinarily resident in the UK) who received NHS treatment in Wales from 2024 onwards - **I can confirm this is a nil response for Powys Teaching Health**

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Board (PTHB) as all attendances at Minor Injury Units are exempt from charging.

Q2. The total amount charged to overseas visitors for NHS treatment or services.
Not applicable, please see response to Q1 above.

Q3. The total amount recovered or collected from overseas visitors - **Not applicable, please see response to Q1 above.**

Q4. The cost of treating overseas visitors. **The average cost for a Minor Injury Unit attendance for 2024/25 is £122. Please note: The cost for 2025/26 is still being processed as part of the Health Board's annual costing returns to Welsh Government.**

Q5. Any available breakdown on the origins of these visitors, by country or type of care – **Please see FOI.251.26 Attachment 1 for PTHB's response.**

Q6. What is the distinction between chargeable and non-chargeable overseas visitors. **Please see the link below for the Welsh Government guidance: [Hospital charges for overseas visitors: regulations | GOV.WALES](#)**

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

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

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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.