

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.103.26

01 April 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 05 March 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. 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:

Q1. Please state the total expenditure by the Trust on clinical insourcing services for current financial year (April 2025 – Present).

Please note, clinical insourcing is defined as the practice where external healthcare providers deliver specialised medical services or procedures within a healthcare facility's existing infrastructure to address capacity demands or reduce patient waiting lists - **The total expenditure during the time period was £115,730.**

Q2. For the current financial year (April 2025 – Present), please list all clinical specialties for which the Trust utilised clinical insourcing services. For each specialty, please name the insourcing provider/s used.

Medinet:

- **Bowel Screening Wales (BSW) Endoscopy.**
- **Endoscopy.**
- **Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) Clinics.**
- **Ophthalmology clinics.**
- **General Surgery clinics.**
- **Anaesthetic cover only for general surgery, gynaecology, oral surgery, podiatry and orthopaedic lists.**

- **Recovery nurse for orthopaedic, podiatry, oral surgery and general surgery list.**

Healthcare Business Solutions UK (HBSUK):

- **Cardiology clinics.**
- **ENT clinics.**
- **Urology clinics.**
- **Orthopaedics clinics.**
- **Ophthalmology clinics.**
- **Gynaecology clinics.**
- **General Surgery clinics.**

Q3. For the current financial year (April 2025 – Present), please confirm the method used to procure clinical insourcing services – Direct Award / Mini-Competition / Framework Tender - **I can confirm that Clinical insourcing services for 2025/26 were procured via the NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP) Procurement Framework, using a Direct Award.**

HBSUK is part of the National Recovery Programme with funding only provided up to 31 March 2026. Any extension will be as part of a Welsh Government recovery programme.

Q4. For the current financial year (April 2025 – Present), please confirm the Frameworks used to procure clinical insourcing services - **Please see response to Q3 above.**

Q5. As of week commencing 2nd March 2026, please confirm if the Trust has any active/live insourcing contracts in place. If yes, please specify the clinical specialty, name of supplier and planned end date for each active contract. **We remain using Medinet Services Limited for the specialities listed in Q2 above. The contract expires 31 March 2026.**

We remain using Healthcare Business Solutions (UK) Limited (HBSUK) for the specialities listed in Q2 above until 31 March 2026 when the contract expires.

Q6. For each active contract due to expire within 6 months of 31st March 2026, please confirm if the Trust would be looking to extend these services via Direct Award or if a Competitive Process will be planned to take place to re-Tender for services. – **HBSUK - Please see response to Q3 above.**

The contract with Medinet Services Limited is currently under review and will follow procurement guidelines for any future direct award. A programme of work is underway to assess future service requirements, which will then be procured in line with Provider Selection Regime (PSR) guidance.

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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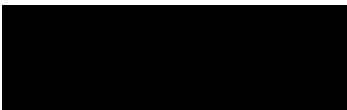
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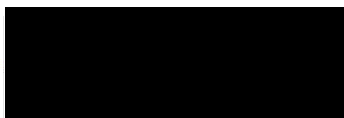
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Yours sincerely



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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.