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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 6th August 2019. I apologise for the delay in responding. Your request sought information relating to headache/migraine clinics.

Provision of headache/migraine clinics

1. Do you hold a regular headache/migraine clinic? If so please give details, including frequency of the clinic.

Yes, there are three regular headache clinics.

1 x clinic in Neath Port Talbot Hospital – weeks 1, 3 and 5

1 x clinic in Morriston Hospital – week 2

1 x clinic in Morriston Hospital – running weekly.

2. How many referrals have been made by GPs to the headache clinic in 2018-19 and 2019-20 (to date)

2018-19 - approximately 800 referrals.

2019-20 – approximately 300 referrals to date.

3. What is the current waiting time for new patients to access the clinic?

25 weeks.



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4. How many patients with chronic migraine are being managed by the clinic?

Approximately 150 patients

5. How is the clinic staffed?

One Consultant along with a Headache Clinical Nurse Specialist.

Staffing

6. How many migraine specialists are employed by the health board?

Two consultants and one Nurse Specialist.

7. How many neurologists are employed by the health board who see patients with migraine?

Two Consultants

8. How many migraine nurse specialists are employed in the health board?

One nurse specialist

9. How many GPs have a special interest in chronic migraine in the health board?

GPs are independent contractors and are not employees of Swansea Bay Health Board, therefore we would not hold this information.

10. How many consultant neurology vacancies does the health board currently have?

None.

Treatments

11. What treatments are routinely available to patients with chronic migraines?

The Health Board provides treatment with Botulinum toxin (Botox) and Erenumab (Aimovig) for patients with chronic migraine who have not responded to at least three oral prophylactic medication.

12. How many consultant neurologists are trained in NHS Botox for migraine in the health board?

None

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Yours sincerely



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