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Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg ac yn y Saesneg. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

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C FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk

Corporate Services Headquarters 1 Talbot Gateway Baglan Port Talbot, SA12 7BR

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Your request sought information relating to Halal meat.

You asked us;

"Is meat served in restaurants and to patients Halal meat and if so is the animal killed by cutting its throat without prior stunning? I've read somewhere that the meat is only Halal but the animal is killed by cutting its throat after prior stunning but with a prayer said during the process."

In Neath Port Talbot, Morriston & Singleton Hospitals Halal chicken breasts are used for patient meals. None of the sites use Halal meat in their restaurants or cafes.

All the Halal chicken used by Swansea Bay is stunned before killing, with a blessing being read out both during and after the stunning.

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at <u>FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk</u>.

Under the terms of the Health Board's Freedom of Information policy, individuals seeking access to recorded information held by the Health Board are entitled to request internal review of the handling of their requests. If you would like to complain about the Health Board's handling of your request please contact me directly at the address below or register your complaint via <u>FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk</u>.



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Yours sincerely

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