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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Your request sought information relating to venous thromboembolism protocols. Please note the data we have provided is for the period of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019 inclusive.

Please note that from 1st April 2019 responsibility for providing healthcare services for people in the Bridgend County Borough Council area transferred from Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board to Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board. In light of this change to ABMU's responsibilities, the organisation's name has changed to Swansea Bay University Health Board. However as this response asks for data prior to 1st April 2019, we have provided the information that ABMU Health Board held which will include Bridgend data.

**1. Does a specific venous thromboembolism protocol exist for your health board?**

Yes – please see Appendix 1

**If so:**

**a. What date was this protocol put into place?**

The attached protocol was published in March 2018

**b. When is it due for review?**

March 2021



**Pencadlys BIP Bae Abertawe, Un Porthfa Talbot, Port Talbot, SA12 7BR / Swansea Bay UHB Headquarters, One Talbot Gateway, Port Talbot, SA12 7BR**

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Swansea Bay University Health Board is the operational name of Swansea Bay University Local Health Board

**2. Is there a preferred Direct Oral Anticoagulant (DOAC) or are all utilised within the Health Board for VTE?**

All DOACs are available on the formulary within the Health Board. The decision is guided by the patient and the prescriber.

**3. How many patients have been treated for VTE with a DOAC in the last 12 months?**

153 patients

Please note these figures are for VTE patients that are treated with a DOAC whilst admitted – this does not include patients who were issued a DOAC outside of hospital.

**4. What volume of each DOAC was used to treat in this same time period?**

Please note that these are the usage figures for DOACs within secondary care only. This will also include ward stock.

<b>Drug / Packsize</b>	<b>Packs Issued</b>
<b>APIXABAN (Homecare) 2.5 mg Tablets</b>	<b>121.00</b>
20 Tablet Pack	121.00
<b>APIXABAN 2.5 mg Tablets</b>	<b>3076.35</b>
20 Tablet Pack	2252.15
28 Tablet Pre-Pack	0.00
60 Tablet Pack	754.20
70 Tablet Pre-Pack	70.00
<b>APIXABAN 5 mg Tablets</b>	<b>2942.79</b>
56 Tablet Pack	2942.79
<b>DABIGATRAN ETEXILATE 110 mg Capsules</b>	<b>239.18</b>
60 Capsule Pack	239.18
<b>DABIGATRAN ETEXILATE 150 mg Capsules</b>	<b>135.08</b>
60 Capsule Pack	135.08
<b>DABIGATRAN ETEXILATE 75 mg Capsules</b>	<b>74.72</b>
10 Capsule Pack	6.00
60 Capsule Pack	68.72
<b>EDOxabAN 30 mg Tablets</b>	<b>271.96</b>
28 Tablet Pack	271.96
<b>EDOxabAN 60 mg Tablets</b>	<b>170.14</b>
28 Tablet Pack	170.14
<b>RIVAROXABAN (INITIATION) Tablets</b>	<b>8.00</b>
1 Combination Pack	8.00
<b>RIVAROXABAN 10 mg Tablets</b>	<b>226.36</b>
100 Tablet Pack	3.46
14 Tablet Pre-Pack	24.00
30 Tablet Pack	174.90
35 Tablet Pre-Pack	24.00
<b>RIVAROXABAN 15 mg Tablets</b>	<b>980.93</b>
14 Tablet Pre-Pack	191.00
28 Tablet Pack	760.50
42 Tablet Pack	29.43
42 Tablet Pre-Pack	0.00



<b>RIVAROXABAN 2.5 mg Tablets</b>	<b>61.00</b>
56 Tablet Pack	61.00
<b>RIVAROXABAN 20 mg Tablets</b>	<b>1504.29</b>
28 Tablet Pack	1504.29

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at [FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk).

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Yours sincerely



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