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

Thank you for contacting us on the 18th February 2020 regarding our response to your Freedom of Information request which we sent to you on the same date.

You asked us to specify how many clinical nurse specialists work generally within the departments of Oncology, Neurology and Neurosurgery. Please see below.

## Oncology

2008 to Present - 0.86 WTE

## Neurology

Present - 6.8 WTE

2019 - 6.8 WTE

2018 - 7.64 WTE

2017 - 7.7867 WTE

2016 - 4.88 WTE

2015 - 7.5867 WTE

Prior to 2015 this information was not held centrally therefore is not available. To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of records within each department which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI Act as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOI Act provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty day



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period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

## **Neurosurgery**

There is no Neurosurgery department within Swansea Bay Health Board therefore we do not hold this information. We utilise facilities within Cardiff and Vale Health Board, and you would need to contact them for this information.

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

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 029 2067 8400.

Yours sincerely

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