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

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on $31^{\rm st}$ January 2020. Your request sought information relating to reconstruction after breast cancer.

1. Does your Health Board have a policy regarding reconstruction after breast cancer?

No, the Health Board does not have a policy regarding reconstruction after breast cancer. The Health Board would refer to National Guidelines when reviewing patients and individual patient pathways would be developed specific to that particular patient.

https://associationofbreastsurgery.org.uk

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2. Within that policy (if applicable) do you offer patients flat symmetrisation surgery?

Not applicable as the Health Board does not have a policy – see question 1

3. If a patient is planned to have a single mastectomy and the patient requests a double mastectomy immediately, without reconstruction (removing the healthy breast at the same time as the breast with cancer) would your Health Board agree to this request if the patient did not have a gene mutation?

Not applicable as the Health Board does not have a policy - see question 1



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4. Does your Health Board allow a contralateral prophylactic mastectomy (CPM) in a delayed setting for a patient that has had a single mastectomy, if they request it?

Not applicable as the Health Board does not have a policy - see question 1

5. If your Health Board agrees to a CPM and leaving the patient flat chested, do you require the patient to have a psychological assessment?

Not applicable as the Health Board does not have a policy – see question 1

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

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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), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 029 2067 8400.

Yours sincerely

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