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## Dear

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Your request sought information relating to cancer diagnoses.

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.

The information we have provided is for patients referred by their GP under "Urgent Suspected Cancer" (USC) and were subsequently diagnosed with a malignant tumour at either Neath Port Talbot, Singleton or Morriston Hospital.

How many patients were seen by a doctor/specialist after an urgent referral by a GP and then diagnosed with cancer between February 1st 2016 – April 30th 2016

319

How many patients were seen by a doctor/specialist after an urgent referral by a GP and then diagnosed with cancer between February 1st 2017 – April 30th 2017

282



How many patients were seen by a doctor/specialist after an urgent referral by a GP and then diagnosed with cancer between February 1st 2018 – April 30th 2018

350

How many patients were seen by a doctor/specialist after an urgent referral by a GP and then diagnosed with cancer between February 1st 2019 – April 30th 2019

294

How many patients were seen by a doctor/specialist after an urgent referral by a GP and then diagnosed with cancer between February 1st 2020 – April 30th 2020

131\*

\*Please note that this data is still incomplete. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the limitations on certain diagnostic investigations and capacity, there are delays in outcome which are reflected in these figures. We expect this number to increase as a recovery of services commences.

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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Yours sincerely

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