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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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Dear

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 27th May 2020. Your request sought information relating to FIT mask testing.

For all those who have undergone FIT testing:

- 1) Genders of participants
- 2) Pass rates
- 3) Specific types of masks that were assessed (we are particularly interested in FPP3 masks)
- 4) Qualitative or quantitative testing measures
- 5) Any further demographic data attached to participants e.g. age and ethnicity.

This information is not held centrally. The Health Board has over 350 FIT mask trainers who hold their own tests results and relevant data locally. Therefore to obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of records 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 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.



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

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 FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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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