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Health Board

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

Dear ,

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 6th October 2020. Your request sought information relating to circumcision.

I would like to know how many such circumcisions were carried out by your Board in the years 2018 and 2019, or any similar time period for which records are readily available. If possible I would like to be provided with a breakdown of the ages of the patients at the time of the procedure; either in the way in which this information is already recorded by yourselves, or alternatively in the following way:-

Age Band	2018	2019
age 0-5	<5*	6
age 12-17	16	12
age 6-11	11	8
age 18+	206	145

* Where fewer than 5 has been indicated we are unable to provide you with the exact number of patients as due to the low numbers, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. This



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exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

I would also like a list of the hospitals or other similar facilities that your Board has used for this procedure, including those outside the geographical area of your Board and those in the private sector.

These procedures are carried out at Morriston, Singleton and Neath Port Talbot hospitals. We do not use any external or private facilities for these procedures.

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



Pam Wenger
Director of Corporate Governance

