



Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg neu'r Saesneg. Atebir gohebiaeth Gymraeg yn y Gymraeg, ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English. Welsh language correspondence will be replied to in Welsh, and this will not lead to a delay.

**Cais Rhyddid Gwybodaeth / Freedom of Information request**  
**Ein Cyf / Our Ref: 22-G-029**

Please note that from 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019, we have provided the information that ABMU Health Board held which will include Bridgend data.

Please note that Swansea Bay University Health Board host the Level 4 Bariatric Service for the whole of Wales. The information we have provided is for all referrals we receive from all Health Boards in Wales. All bariatric referrals to our Level 4 service must come via a Level 3 “gatekeeping” service. The Level 3 gatekeeping service are clinical professionals within each individual Health Board. They assess a certain level of support has been provided and thresholds met by patients before they are referred onwards to the Level 4 service (surgery).

SBUHB follow the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC) policy in relation to Bariatric surgery and its strict criteria. You can find more information here - <https://whssc.nhs.wales/commissioning/whssc-policies/all-policy-documents/bariatric-surgery-commissioning-policy-cp28a-pdf/>

**You asked:**

- 1. The number of primary bariatric surgery operations\* performed by financial year, from 2017/18 to 2021/22 (\*including operations in private hospitals where these were used to provide additional capacity for the NHS)**

Please note that this information includes both elective and emergency surgeries in SBUHB and private hospitals.

Discharge Year	Total
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<b>2017/18</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>2018/19</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>2019/20</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>2020/21</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>2021/22</b>	<b>32</b>

**a. The mean average wait from admission to Tier 4 services to surgery, by financial year, from 2017/18 to 2021/22.**

Please note this information reflects the waiting time from "decision to admit" to the actual admission.

<b>Discharge Year</b>	<b>Avg duration of elective wait (days)</b>
<b>2017/18</b>	195.49
<b>2018/19</b>	81.91
<b>2019/20</b>	70.57
<b>2020/21</b>	108.25
<b>2021/22</b>	282.30
<b>2022/23</b>	150.50

**2. How many patients are on your bariatric surgery RTT (referral to treatment) waiting list at present?**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Total</b>
30/06/2022	<b>46</b>

- **and at the end of each financial year from 2017/18 to 2021/22.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Total</b>
31/03/2017	<b>53</b>
31/03/2018	<b>20</b>
31/03/2019	<b>15</b>
31/03/2020	<b>12</b>
31/03/2021	<b>28</b>
31/03/2022	<b>53</b>

**3. The number of people enrolled within your Tier 3 weight management services:**

- **at present**
- **and at the end of each financial year from 2017/18 to 2021/22.**



Please note that we do not hold the number of patients “enrolled” within our Tier 3 service. However, we are able to provide you with the number of individual patients that attended our Tier 3 weight management clinic between 2019/20 and 31.07.22.

Clinic Description	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	01.04.22 – 31.07.22
Tier 3 Weight Management	23	19	21	24	37	19

**a. The number of people enrolled within your Tier 4 services:**

- at present,
- and at the end of each financial year from 2017/18 to 2021/22.

Financial Year	Awaiting first Outpatients appointment	Awaiting Surgery	On Follow up waiting list (Pre & Post op surgery)
Present (1st Aug 22)	174	52	66
2021/22	108	52	73
2020/21	95	28	99
2019/20	95	12	220
2018/19	62	8	209
2017/18	54	54	71

