



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: 23-A-011**

Please note that although neither of our field hospitals were operationally commissioned to provide bed capacity, the Bay hospital functioned for other purposes since its opening. As well as operating as a long standing Mass Vaccination Centre since December 2020, the Bay field hospital was utilised for a number of purposes including the provision of a phlebotomy service and services to patients with Long Covid as well as being used for storage of additional PPE and other equipment used in the Covid response.

### **You asked:**

#### **1. How many temporary Field hospitals did you have in your area?**

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<https://sbuhb.nhs.wales/files/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log-2022/january/22-a-028-money-spend-on-field-hospitals/>

#### **2. Where were they?**

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#### **3. How long did it take to build or equip, and open its door?**

Bay Studios Field Hospital – 4 months

Llandarcy Academy of Sport Field Hospital – 3 months



#### **4. Were they fully staffed?**

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#### **5. How much did they cost to create?**

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#### **6. How much use were made of them ie bed use?**

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#### **7. Did staff shortages mean the hospitals could not be fully commissioned?**

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#### **8. What happened to them? i.e. dismantled and when?**

Llandarcy Academy of Sport Field Hospital closed in September 2020 and was subsequently dismantled.

Bay Studios Field Hospital closed at the end of October 2022 and was subsequently dismantled.

#### **9. How much money did this provide to offset set up costs?**

Following the closure of the Field Hospitals there was no direct financial offset against the set up costs. Some elements of IT were redeployed into the main service.

