

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_359_16

You asked:

How many children and young people in each health board have been referred to mental health services outside of their health board?

Could you please provide:

- a) A breakdown for the last three years, and of these;
- b) How many have been referred to each other health board?
- c) How many have been referred to services in England?

Our response:

The CAMH Services are provided through a regional NHS network, hosted by Cwm Taf UHB to children and adolescents for the University Health Board areas of:

- Cwm Taf
- Abertawe Bro Morgannwg
- Cardiff and the Vale

The service covers a population of approximately 1.2 million people.

We are unable to provide the information you have requested in the way that you have asked. However, the information that we can provide is set out below. Please note some of these elements need to be redirected to the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC):

1. Young people referred to Tier 4 Inpatient Services (based in Bridgend serving the population of Aneurin Bevan, Cardiff & Vale, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg, Cwm Taf, Hywel Dda and Powys UHBs). Young people referred to Tier 4 Inpatient Services:

April 2014 to March 2015

ABMU	Cwm Taf	Cardiff & Vale	Powys	Aneurin Bevan	Hywel Dda
31	9	19	9	17	25

April 2015 to March 2016

ABMU	Cwm Taf	Cardiff & Vale	Powys	Aneurin Bevan	Hywel Dda
49	9	24	8	15	25

April 2016 to October 2016

ABMU	Cwm Taf	Cardiff & Vale	Powys	Aneurin Bevan	Hywel Dda
22	5	11	**	9	10

Where the figures are less than 5, this has been denoted by **. The exact figures have been withheld due to the low numbers involved.

Where numbers are low we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. Also, responses under the Freedom of Information Act are made available to the public at large. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the Data Protection Act 1998, as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles set out in Schedules 2 and 3 of the Act. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and does not require the Health Board to consider the public interest test.

2. Young people referred to non NHS Inpatient Services in Wales (Regis Healthcare)

I can confirm that the Health Board does not hold the information that you require. This data would need to be provided by the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC).

Your request therefore would need to be redirected to WHSSC.

Their contact details can be found via the following link:

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sites3/page.cfm?orgid=898&pid=46654>

3. Young people referred to English Inpatient Units

As above – please contact WHSSC directly.

4. Young people referred to English Outpatient Services

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