

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_55_17

You asked:

Could kindly provide me with information on the experiences of patients arriving to hospital via an ambulance with the diagnosis of stroke. In relation to this, would it be possible to know:

1. How many patients who had the diagnosis of stroke started Thrombolysis within:
 - 3 hours from call to ambulance;
 - 5 hours from call to ambulance;
 - 6 hours and above from call to ambulance.

Would it be possible to break down figures by Hospital and Local Authority of patients initial destination?

Our response:

The Health Board does not hold information on ambulance call times. For this information you will need to redirect this element of your request to Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust at the email address below:

- FOI.amb@wales.nhs.uk

However, to aid and assist with your request please see provided in the table below, the number of patients from onset of stroke to thrombolysis between 1st February 2016 and 31st January 2017 who arrived at hospital by ambulance. Please note that we are unable to provide the Local Authority of patients initial destination, as this information is not held by the Health Board. Also this data is not available by hospital site, though it is anticipated that all stroke patients are admitted to Prince Charles Hospital.

Activity	Count
Stroke patients starting thrombolysis that arrived by ambulance	48
Onset to Thrombolysis 0-3 hours	41
Onset to Thrombolysis 4-5 hours	7
Onset to Thrombolysis 6+ hours	0

Further information relating to stroke can be found on the Cwm Taf University Health Board internet site via the following [link](#). Information can be found under the Finance, Performance and Workforce Committee, Integrated Performance Dashboard.