

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_128_18

You asked:

The time scale is for calendar year 2015, 2016, and 2017.

1. The number of endoscopists employed by the health board

In Cwm Taf UHB there are twenty-four staff who undertake endoscopic procedures.

2. Number of patients diagnosed with bowel cancer

Year	Patients Diagnosed with Bowel Cancer
2015	245
2016	226
2017	217

3. Number and percentage of patients diagnosed via the urgent suspected cancer route with suspected cancer waited beyond 62 days for an urgent endoscopy

The time patients wait for an urgent endoscopy is not routinely collected or reported for cancer patients; we measure the whole pathway to treatment. While some endoscopy dates are recorded on our Tracker systems, others may not be as this is not a mandatory requirement. Therefore, we are unable to provide the information requested.

4. Number and percentage of patients diagnosed not via the urgent suspected cancer route with suspected cancer waited beyond 31 days for an urgent endoscopy

Unfortunately, as per question 3 we do not routinely record this information.