

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_238_18

You asked:

Could you please supply the following information, for each of the last five financial years (2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18):

- 1) The total number of GP practices and surgeries at the start of each of these years.
- 2) The number of GP practices and branch surgeries in your health board area which closed during each of these years.
- 3) The number of patients in your health board area who have had to change their registration to another practice or surgery, because their GP practice or surgery has closed, for each of these years.
- 4) The number of patients who have not moved their registrations since their surgery closed in any of these years.

Our response:

2013/14 – a total of 66 practices and 2 branch closures. No patients had to re-register with a new practice.

2014/15 – a total of 64 practices and 1 branch closure. No patients had to re-register with a new practice.

2015/16 – a total of 63 practices and 1 branch closure. No patients had to re-register with a new practice.

2016/17 – a total of 62 practices and 1 branch closure. No patients had to re-register with a new practice. There was 1 main surgery closure where 3,178 patients had re-register with other local practices in their area. The Patient Registration Department do not hold information on patients who fail to register as result of the surgery closures.

2017/18 – a total of 60 practices and two surgeries operating from the same building merged to form one practice. No patients had to re-register with a new practice.