Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_51_19

You asked:

1. The number of patients admitted to hospital during the October and December period for each of the last 5 years with suspected norovirus or other 'winter stomach bugs'

Please see provided in the table below the number of patients admitted to Cwm Taf University Health Board during the October and December period for each of the last 5 years with suspected norovirus or other stomach bugs.

	Oct	Dec								
	14	14	15	15	16	16	17	17	18	18
Patients admitted	145	79	87	94	114	126	119	87	90	67

2. The number of outbreaks of the norovirus or other gastrointestinal outbreaks that are recorded as occurring within hospitals during that October to December period of the last 5 years

The table below shows the number of ward closures due to suspected/confirmed viral gastroenteritis during October and December 2014 – 2018 in the Royal Glamorgan Hospital and Prince Charles Hospital.

Ward Closed	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Confirmed	1	0	0	0	0
Suspected	1	0	0	0	0

The table below shows the number of bay restrictions due to suspected/confirmed viral gastroenteritis during October and December 2014 - 2018 in the Royal Glamorgan Hospital and Prince Charles Hospital.

Period of Increased Incidence	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Confirmed	1	0	0	0	0
Suspected	1	3	4	0	2