

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_15_20

You asked:

For information relating to Glanrhyd and Pen-Y-Fai Psychiatric Hospital between Tax years 1972/73 and 1998/99.

We request all documentation you possess in relation to knowledge of the dangers of asbestos regarding Glanrhyd and Pen-Y-Fai Psychiatric Hospital, including but not exclusive to:

a) Information relating to knowledge of asbestos being present within the hospital buildings during the time period stated, including, but not limited to all asbestos registers for that time. If there are no such registers, please provide the earliest asbestos register for the hospital.

b) Information relating to all maintenance and/or renovation and/or demolition work during the time period stated above, including:

1. Names of the building contractors who carried out the works;
2. Risk assessments and asbestos surveys;
3. Minutes of meetings relating to the health and safety with particular regards to asbestos.

c) Details of when asbestos was removed from the hospital buildings during the stated time period:

1. Names of the building contractors who carried out the works;
2. Details of any license to remove asbestos;
3. Risk assessments and asbestos surveys;
4. Minutes of meeting relating to health and safety with particular regard to asbestos.

d) The number of employees (existing and retired) that have pursued a claim against you for exposure to asbestos in this hospital.

e) The number of these claims which have been settled.

f) The details of any reported incidents of asbestos exposure in the hospital between 1972 to the present day.

g) Details of any improvements or prohibition notice served or guidance issued by the HSE in relation to the management of asbestos in the hospital between 1972 to the present day.

Our response:

Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board does not hold the detailed information requested above relating to Glanrhyd and Pen-Y-Fai Psychiatric Hospital, between Tax years 1972/73 and 1998/99.

Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board was established on the 1 April 2019. Prior to this, Glanrhyd Hospital would have been part of the former Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board area and, previous to this, it would have been

Bro Morgannwg Trust and not the Cwm Taf health board area. Therefore you may wish to redirect your request to FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

However, we can confirm that since the 1 April 2019 no employees have pursued a claim against us for exposure to asbestos. There have been no reported incidents of asbestos exposure and no improvements or prohibition notice served or guidance issued by the HSE in relation to the management of asbestos at Glanrhyd Hospital.