

You asked:

1. Please can you advise me the number of Female Genital Mutilation Cases (FGM) from 2009 - 2020 for Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board?

I can confirm that the Health Board does hold this information. However, to release the specific information in the way that you have requested would mean disclosure of low numbers. Where numbers are low we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain.

In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

However, in order to fulfil our obligation under Section 16 of the Act to provide advice and assistance, we can confirm that during the time period requested there have been less than 5 Female Genital Mutilation cases.

2. Please can you split them into ages?

Please see response to question 1.

3. Please can you advise how many have been reported to The Police or Social Services and areas?

Please see response to question 1.

4. Do you routinely report these crimes to the Police/Social Services are you obliged to?

Yes.

5. Please can you advise how many nursing staff have been called as witnesses to Police Prosecutions?

None.