

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_162_22

You asked:

Please could you supply the following information:

For the first full week of **April 2022**, what was the % of the baseline recommendation of WTE consultants available to staff A&E department(s) within your health board area, specifying a figure for each A&E department where applicable?

For clarity, the baselines as outlined by the Royal College of Emergency Medicine and figures should exclude the use of locums.

Our response:

Royal Glamorgan Hospital response:

Based on the RCEM guideline of 1 WTE Consultant to 3,600-4,000 new attendances we should have 18 WTE consultants based on 73098 attendances at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital in last 12 months. During the first week of April 2022, we had 4.6 WTE consultants at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital.

Prince Charles Hospital response:

Based on the RCEM guideline of 1 WTE Consultant to 3,600-4,000 new attendances we should have 15-17 WTE consultants based on 61023 attendances at Prince Charles Hospital in last 12 months. During the first week of April 2022, we had 7.7 WTE consultants at Prince Charles Hospital.

Princess of Wales Hospital response:

Essentially we are a small Emergency Department (<60K attendances), but only just and no recommendations from RCEM. However, we are just on lower limit of a medium sized department and therefore used that as our measurement.

Based on the RCEM guidance, during the first week in April 2022 we had 7.5 WTE consultants in post. Therefore, at that time the % of the baseline recommendation of WTE consultants at the Princess of Wales Hospital was 41%.