

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_319_22

You asked:

Could you please provide responses to the following questions in relation to your Health Board:

1. The name and email address of:

The General Manager that is responsible for each of the following clinical areas:

a. Endoscopy / Gastroenterology/Neurology/Rheumatology

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b. Dermatology

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c. Urology

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d. Ophthalmology

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e. ENT

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f. Surgery

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Article 6(1), including profiling based on those provisions where personal data are processed for direct marketing purposes.

We can confirm that the individuals captured by this request have stated that they do not wish their personal data to be used for direct marketing purposes.

2. In the last 12 months, which external Insourcing providers have you used for the above services?

'The Endoscopy Group', for the insourcing of Endoscopy Procedures and 'InHealth', for a Mobile Endoscopy Unit.

3. Do you have a contract with an external Insourcing provider of the above services and, if so, which company is the contract with?

The Health Board currently has an agreement in place for a Mobile Endoscopy Unit with 'InHealth'.

4. If you have a contract with an Insourcing provider for any of the above services, for which service is it? When does it currently expire and when will it be reviewed?

Endoscopy Mobile Unit with InHealth, which expires in September 2023. It will be reviewed in early 2023.

5. If you have a contract with an Insourcing provider for Endoscopy Services, how much are you being charged per fully staffed room, per day?

We can confirm that Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board holds information relating to the Insourcing provider for Endoscopy Services. However, we would like to advise you that the information you requested is being withheld under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The exemption which the Health Board has applied to this information is: Section (43)(2) of the Freedom of Information Act.

The Health Board considers the information to be of a commercially sensitive nature and that the release of this information would or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any parties concerned.

The University Health Board accepts that there is a public interest in ensuring openness and transparency however, the Health Board believes that disclosure of information in a manner which fails to protect the interests and relationships arising in a commercial context could have the effect of discouraging companies from dealing with the Health Board because of fears that the disclosure of information could damage them commercially. In turn this could then jeopardise the Health Boards ability to compete fairly and pursue its function to bring forward development in the area and obtain value for money.

6. If you have a contract with an Insourcing provider for Endoscopy Services, what days of the week do they operate and how many rooms do they staff?

One mobile unit operating 7 days a week.

7. What has been the spend by the Trust/Health Board in the last 12 months on Insourced Endoscopy Services?

Please see response to question 5.

8. Does the Trust/Health Board currently require insourced services (Full teams or Consultant / Nursing only) for any of the following clinical areas:

- a. Endoscopy / Gastroenterology
- b. Dermatology
- c. Urology
- d. Ophthalmology
- e. ENT
- f. Surgery
- g. Rheumatology
- h. Neurology

The Health Board explores all internal options before seeking support from a third party provider for insourcing or outsourcing. When external support is required, that is managed through procurement processes led by [NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership](#) who provide procurement services for all Health Boards in Wales.

9. Does the Health Board currently require specific insourced BCS (Bowel Cancer Screening) Services?

Yes, if suitable screening practitioners are available. Medicine Clinical Service Group in Royal Glamorgan Hospital has been in discussions with Procurement and Bowel Screening Wales to look at opportunities to insource additional specialist nurse practitioner support.

10. Does the Health Board currently require additional Endoscopy capacity (to purchase or rent) via a suitable external premises or JAG accredited Mobile / Modular Endoscopy Unit?

We are currently working through our requirements for additional endoscopy capacity. At this stage we are not looking to commission an additional mobile unit.

11. Does the Health Board wish to discuss a collaboration in respect of the construction of a new Endoscopy facility with Decontamination?

No, at this stage as we are working up informal plans to identify the additional capacity we require. In the future we will complete a Strategic Outline Case which will outline the Procurement Strategy for any new facilities.