

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_227_22

You asked:

I would be grateful if you could let me know the following:

1. How many patients are there in the Broadlands Dental practice?

The Health Board does not hold this information. The general dental services contract (introduced in 2006) removed patient registration which meant patients were no longer registered with a practice, therefore a precise figure is currently unknown. However, the practice anticipates this could be in the region of 15,000 patients. It should be noted Broadlands Dental practice provides both private and NHS dentistry.

The Health Board is currently awaiting confirmation from NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) (who manage the dental claims process on behalf on Health Boards) to confirm the total number of patients the impending closure of the Broadlands Dental Surgery will affect. For further information, you may wish to contact NHSBSA directly via the following link: [NHS Dental Services | NHSBSA](#).

2. How many NHS practices now remain within the Bridgend area?

At the 1 August 2022 there will be 18 practices providing NHS dental treatment in the Bridgend area.

3. How many practices have given up their NHS contracts in Bridgend in the past two years. And how many patients were affected?

No practice has given up their NHS contracts in Bridgend in the past two years.

4. How many of those that remain within the NHS in Bridgend are able to take on additional patients?

There are 12 Practices in the Bridgend area with a contract reform contract working with the Health Board to regularly accept urgent patients and new patients on a quarterly basis.

5. What steps are you taking as a Health Board to accommodate those people who wish to remain NHS dentistry patients?

The Health Board are currently working through interim and long term plans to ensure patients have continued access to NHS dental services in the Bridgend area. These plans are not yet finalised.