

## Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB\_198\_22

### You asked:

'Hospital social workers' include employees registered with a social work regulator, who spend more than 50% of their working time facilitating hospital discharge or providing other social work services to inpatients of acute NHS services, **excluding** mental health. 'Non-social work registered staff' includes staff who provide a similar service to social workers, but who are not registered with a social work regulator. Please **do not** include any staff whose posts are funded by the NHS or other bodies, but whose contract of employment is with the local authority.

Please provide the following information via email;

1. Number of hospital social workers currently employed by your Health Board (expressed as number of staff and as Full Time Equivalent, excluding vacancies)
2. Number of non-social work registered staff currently employed in hospital social work teams (care managers, assessment officers, assistant social workers etc) (expressed as number of staff and as Full Time Equivalent, excluding vacancies)
3. Number of vacancies for social workers and non-social work registered staff currently employed in hospital social work teams (expressed as number of posts and Full Time Equivalent)
4. Are these hospital social workers managed by a registered social worker?
5. Do these hospital social workers have an office base within an NHS hospital / other NHS premises?
6. If your Health Board does not employ hospital social workers, please give the name of the body that does employ hospital social workers in your area.

### Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board does not employ hospital social workers that meet the criteria requested. Social workers are employed by the relevant Local Authorities (LA's) that cover the Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board area.

Therefore, you may wish to redirect your request to the LA's, who should be able to assist you with your request. The relevant email addresses are provided below:

Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council - [freedomofinformation@rhondda-cynon-taff.gov.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@rhondda-cynon-taff.gov.uk)

Merthyr Tydfil Borough Council - [FOI@merthyr.gov.uk](mailto:FOI@merthyr.gov.uk)

Bridgend County Borough Council - [foi@bridgend.gov.uk](mailto:foi@bridgend.gov.uk)