

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_348_23

Please find the response from Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board set out below for our three Hospital sites:

Prince Charles Hospital - PCH
Royal Glamorgan Hospital - RGH
Princess of Wales Hospital - POW

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) please may I have answers to the following:

1. Does your Trust currently have both an inpatient (day-case) pathway and an outpatient pathway for hysteroscopy?

Yes.

2. Currently, roughly what percentage of your Trust's hysteroscopies are done with an anaesthetist

a) diagnostic? - 40%

b) operative - 95%

(e.g. polypectomy, myomectomy, endometrial ablation)?

Please note the above data is a very rough estimate of the HB's data due to different IT systems to measure the data across 3 different hospital sites.

3. What is the current approximate waiting time in weeks for a patient who asks for a general anaesthetic, spinal anaesthetic or IV sedation with analgesia for hysteroscopy

a) under the 2 week wait as an urgent referral for suspected womb cancer?

RGH/PCH -10 days

POW – 1-4 weeks for diagnostic

b) not under the 2 week wait?

RGH/PCH -Urgent- 6-8 weeks Routine up to 1 year

POW – 12 weeks for urgent

64 weeks for routine

4. Has your Trust adopted, or is your Trust adopting the NHS Getting It Right First Time (Maternity & Gynaecology Report) targets of

a) 90% diagnostic hysteroscopies to be done in outpatients? - Yes.

b) 50% operative hysteroscopies to be done in outpatients? - Yes.

5. May I have a copy of the full range of pain scores obtained by your Trust in the BSGE 2019 outpatient hysteroscopy benchmarking survey?

RGH/PCH -Surveys returned to BSGE and figures correlated nationally, no record of pain scores saved locally for this survey.

POW – in 2019, Bridgend women were seen in Neath Port Talbot –therefore the data available would have NPT on the title. (Attached copy)

6. Is entonox or pentrox routinely available to all your outpatient hysteroscopy patients?

Entonox

RGH - Not available.

POW/NPT – Available.

PCH – Available.

Pentrox not available in any of our sites.

7. Are local anaesthetic paracervical blocks routinely available in outpatients?

RGH/PCH -Yes- Scandonest 1% or Citanest

NPT –Scanonest available

8. Please may I see any audits of hysteroscopic procedures during the last 5 years?

RGH/PCH - No audits have been carried out of hysteroscopic procedures in this time frame.

POW -There is one ongoing at present that is yet to be uploaded.

9. Are pain scores taken at all your outpatient hysteroscopy clinics?

NPT – In nurse led clinic (using a visual aid)

RGH/PCH - No pain scores taken for diagnostic hysteroscopy

10. Does your Trust have a Procedural Sedation Analgesia clinic for 'minor gynae' including hysteroscopy?

No.