

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_197_23

You asked:

Please confirm whether The Health Board have had any independent Royal College Reports carried out from 2018 to present day?

If so please provide :

- The number of reports undertaken and the dates
- The area / areas where the report was carried out.
- If the reports concern a specific clinician the speciality of the clinician
- Please provide a copy of the report.

Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board have had three independent Royal College Reports carried out during the time period requested.

Two of which are available in the public domain. Under section 21 of the Act, the Health Board is not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. Please see links directly to the reports provided below:

- [royal-glamorgan-hospital_report.pdf \(rcpsych.ac.uk\)](https://rcpsych.ac.uk/royal-glamorgan-hospital-report.pdf)
- [REPORT OF RCOG REVIEW \(gov.wales\)](https://gov.wales/report-of-rcog-review)

With regards to the third report, we can confirm that there was an invited service review report issued on the intensive care service for general surgery patients at Princess of Wales Hospital in December 2019.

However, The Health Board are exempting the report from disclosure under Section 41 of the FOI Act.

The information contained within the external report was provided in circumstances importing an obligation of confidence and has been marked as confidential with limited distribution. The disclosure of the contained details would also give rise to an actionable breach of confidence of a number of staff. In other words, if the Health Board disclosed the information being sought this could lead to their identification which would be unfair and inappropriate. Any internal reports were also marked as confidential, with an understanding that these were not to be disclosed into the public domain due to containing information constituting personal information.

The Health Board have considered redacting the report but feel that individuals could still be identified by the further detail in the report (Section 40(2)) and would contravene the requirements of the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) and are therefore unable to release.