Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_198_23

You asked:

1. Please confirm how many whole time equivalent (WTE) physiotherapists, technicians and assistants, by Agenda for Change (AfC) band, were employed by Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board (children & young people's services and adult services) on the 31st of March 2023.

This should include any generic assistant or technical instructor posts that support physiotherapy service provision. Also, please note that physiotherapy staff work in a range of clinical settings. The answer to this request must also capture physiotherapy staff not directly line-managed by the head of physiotherapy services eg occupational health, community resource teams (CRTs).

Grade	WTE
3	19.96
4	21.99
5	34.90
6	58.64
7	84.39
Generic therapy assistant and tecs	17.27

2. Please confirm how many whole time equivalent (WTE) physiotherapist, technician and assistant vacancies were held in Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board as of 31st of March 2023. The answer should identify the number of registered physiotherapists and the number of unregistered support staff as separate figures. Do not include admin and clerical.

Please see below vacancies as at 31.3.2023

Grade	WTE vacancy
3	6.0
4	3
5	0
6	8
7	3
Generic therapy tec	3

3. Please confirm or deny if Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board has had any periods of time within the last 12 months to the 31st of March 2023 where recruitment to posts has been delayed? If confirmed, please provide reasons (short narrative) for the delay.

No specific delays other than usual system/process delays.

4. Please confirm or deny whether there have been any physiotherapy service developments in Cwm Taf Morgannwg

University Health Board during the last financial year (April 2022 to end of March 2023).

If confirmed:

- a. Please provide details of the developments.
- b. Please confirm or deny whether these were supported by additional resources.

Details of the developments	Supported by additional resources
First Contact Practice – MSK in primary care	Yes
Adferiad – long COVID hub expansion to include fibro myalgia	Yes
Paediatric 'MOVE' programme – collaboration with special schools	Yes
Ysbyty Seren Hospital (field hospital)	Yes
CTM Occupational Health service changes	Yes
Weight management- 1.0 wte Band 6 1.0 wte Band 7	Yes
VBHC 1.0 wte Band 7 12 hrs cardiac heart failure band 7 and 0.2 Band 8	Yes
HM Prison - Parc 0.65 WTE Band 7 0.65 Band 4	Yes

5. Please confirm or deny if there have been any discontinued posts and/or services in the last year (April 2022 to end of March 2023). If confirmed, please provide details.

There have been no discontinued posts and/or services in the last year.

6. Please confirm or deny if there has been any increase or decrease in demand for physiotherapy services in the last year (April 2022 to end if March 2023). If confirmed, please provide details.

Acute and rehabilitation demand has increased across all in patient and community settings.

7. Please provide details of the level of budget increase or reduction made by the physiotherapy service in Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board in the last financial year (April 2022 to end of March 2023) and what this is as a percentage of the physiotherapy budget.

Increase of £627k. Which represents a 7.6% increase.

8. Please provide details of projected % budgetary savings to be made for this financial year (April 2022 to end of March 2023).

9. Please provide details of spend on agency/locum staff in the last year April 2022 to end of March 2023.

Agency spend April 2022 - March 2023 - Approximately - £19,615