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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_143_25

You asked:

I would like to request funding data for the last three years involving yourselves and The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital in Gobowen.

I don't know the precise manner the data is held in, so as a worked example; I believe if a patient is treated at The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital in Gobowen a course of drugs is required to be funded, the patients local health board in Wales is then contacted for a contribution / all of the cost of the course. This request can be accepted or rejected.

I would like to request data on the number of such requests, outcome of the requests, and if possible details on the sums (£) involved, groups where easiest eg. per calendar month.

I would like to request the data for the last two complete financial years, and the current financial year to date.

Our response:

Requests are considered in line with the All Wales Prior Approval policy, and referrals will be supported when the required criteria is met – referral is clinically appropriate; all local services and treatment options have been exhausted and clinical need cannot be managed locally.

Year	Total	Approved	Refused
23/24	*	*	*
24/25	5	*	*

Less than £4500 has been committed to those requests that have been approved over the last two years.

Where the figures are less than 5, this has been denoted by **. The exact figures have been withheld due to the low numbers involved.

Where numbers are low we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. Also, responses under the Freedom of Information Act are made available to the public at large. The data is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.