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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_522_25

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide:

1. Total number of children under 5 placed on perinatal/paediatric palliative care pathways (withdrawing/withholding life-sustaining treatment, e.g., nutrition/hydration) from Jan 2022–Oct 2025.
2. Percentage of those where parental consent was explicitly documented vs. implied/deemed.
3. Number/percentage where parents objected, and outcomes (e.g., court involvement).
4. Anonymised summary of decision criteria used (per RCPCH/NICE guidelines).
5. Any internal audits/reviews on consent processes since 2022.

Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board does not hold the specific information requested. Children's Palliative care in Wales is delivered via an all-Wales Network of specialist professionals called the All-Wales Paediatric Palliative Care Network. This service is managed by Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (CVUHB). Therefore, you may wish to redirect your request to CVUHB. Their contact details are as follows: FOI.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.