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Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_419_25

You asked:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Specifically, I would like to request data on hospital drug usage within NHS Wales, similar to the Secondary Care Medicines Data (SCMD) list published by NHS England.

Please could you provide the following information for your Health Board/hospital(s):

A list of medicines used within secondary care, including the total quantities dispensed or issued, for the most recent 12-month period available.

Where possible, please provide this information broken down by:

- Medicine name (generic and/or brand)
- Strength and formulation
- Total quantity used/dispensed
- Associated costs (if available)

If the full dataset is not available, I would be grateful if you could provide any reports, summaries, or datasets that most closely match the request.

Our response:

Please see attached report (01/09/2024 – 31/08/2025).

We can confirm that Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board holds information relating to cost.

However, we would like to advise you that the information you requested is being withheld under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The exemption which the Health Board has applied to this information is: Section (43)(2) of the Freedom of Information Act.

The Health Board considers the information to be of a commercially sensitive nature and that the release of this information would or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any parties concerned.

The University Health Board accepts that there is a public interest in ensuring openness and transparency however, the Health Board believes that disclosure of information in a manner which fails to protect the interests and relationships arising in a commercial context could have the effect of discouraging companies from dealing with the Health Board because of fears that the disclosure of information could damage them commercially. In turn this could then jeopardise the Health Boards ability to compete fairly and pursue its function to bring forward development in the area and obtain value for money.