



Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_71_26

You asked:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

This request relates to access to NHS dermatology services and waiting times for patients with skin conditions. We are seeking comparable data across NHS Trusts/Boards to understand variation in waiting times and service pressure.

Please provide the following information for your Trust/Board, covering the last five financial years where available (2019/20 - 2024/25) broken down by financial year.

1. Dermatology Waiting Times and Access Indicators

For each financial year listed above, please provide:

a.) Referral-to-Treatment (RTT) elective waiting-time indicators for dermatology services, if held:

- Median RTT waiting time (in weeks)
- Number of patients waiting over 18 weeks (at year-end)
- Number of patients waiting over 52 weeks (at year-end)

b.) Outpatient dermatology access, if held:

- Median waiting time for a first outpatient dermatology appointment (in weeks)
- Total number of patients on the dermatology outpatient waiting list at year-end

Where possible, please indicate whether data are available broken down by:

- New vs follow-up appointments
- Sub-specialties within dermatology (e.g. inflammatory skin disease, skin cancer, paediatric dermatology), if routinely recorded

Under section 21 of the Act, Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board is not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. Dermatology RTT data is published routinely and is available via the following links.

[Referral To Treatment key measures: median and 90th percentile waiting times, totals waiting and pathways waiting 26 and 36 weeks, January 2018 onwards, by treatment function](#)

[NHS 111 Wales - Dermatology - Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Local Health Board](#)

2. Access to Dermatology Care and Capacity (If Held)

For each year listed above, please provide:

- **The total number of consultant dermatologists employed by the Trust/Board (headcount or FTE, whichever is standard)**

9 consultants with 1 vacancy

- **Whether the Trust/Board commissions or provides specialist dermatology services beyond general dermatology (e.g. severe eczema, psoriasis, acne, or contact dermatitis clinics)**

Specialised clinics are provided for:-

- Vulval
- Acne
- See and Treat
- Teledermoscopy
- Laser – receive referrals from all over South Wales

All other specialties are booked within general clinics.