Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_407_26

You asked:

For each of the last three complete financial years (2023/24, 2024/25, and 2025/26), please provide:

1. **Patient Population:** The total registered patient population served across all GP practices within your Health Board footprint at the end of each financial year.
2. **Diagnostic Purchases (Internal Stock):** The total expenditure and total volume (number of packs/strips/units) purchased or reimbursed for use inside GP practices for:
    a) Blood glucose testing strips / point-of-care blood glucose testing kits.
    b) Urine glucose testing strips.
    c) Lancets.

If this data is not held centrally because practices purchase consumables independently, please state this clearly rather than treating the request as refused.

Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board does not hold the specific information you require for all GPs. Please note, GPs in Wales operate as independent contractors. Therefore, you may wish to contact them directly.

A list of practices that fall under CTMUHB is available via the following link: Health in Wales | GP Surgeries in Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board

However, please see response below from the Health Boards managed practice - Ferndale Surgery:

1. **Patient Population:** The total registered patient population served across all GP practices within your Health Board footprint at the end of each financial year

    Patient population for Ferndale Medical Practice as of – 12/8/26 – 7411

2. **Diagnostic Purchases (Internal Stock):** The total expenditure and total volume (number of packs/strips/units) purchased or reimbursed for use inside GP practices for:

a) Blood glucose testing strips / point-of-care blood glucose testing kits. - In relation to blood glucose testing strips/point-of-care blood glucose testing kits, the only purchasing data available is for 2025/26, which shows 5 packs purchased at a total cost of £158.98.
b) Urine glucose testing strips - We do not purchase.
c) Lancets - We do not purchase.