



Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_150_26

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information regarding paediatric allergy services within your health board area.

Please provide the most recent data available, ideally covering the most recent 12-month period for which information is held.

- 1. Number of children (under 18) registered with GP practices in your health board area who have a coded diagnosis of an allergic condition (including but not limited to food allergy, drug allergy, eczema, or anaphylaxis).**

Unfortunately we are unable to answer this question, as the health board does not code outpatient activity. The health board only codes inpatient activity.

- 2. Number of children with an allergic condition referred from primary care to secondary or specialist care for allergy assessment or treatment during this period.**

Date Range used 01/01/2025 to 31/12/2025 up to 16

Number of Referrals = 222

Date Range used 01/01/2025 to 31/12/2025 under 18

Number of Referrals = 229

Please note the paediatric allergy services only accepts referrals for children up to the age of 16. As you requested children under 18, we have given you both sets of data.

- 3. Does your health board commission or provide a dedicated paediatric allergy clinic or service? If yes, please provide location(s) and type of service provided.**

The Health Board provides outpatient-based allergy services for children & young people within our paediatric services. Clinics take place at Princess of Wales Hospital, Royal Glamorgan Hospital and Ysbyty Cwm Cynon.

- 4. Number of children currently waiting for a first appointment with a paediatric allergy specialist or clinic.**

As at 31/01/2026 up to 16

Total Waiting 1st Appointment = 199

As at 31/01/2026 under 18

Total Waiting 1st Appointment = 203

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5. Of those children, how many have been waiting:

- more than 26 weeks
- more than 52 weeks

As at 31/01/2026 up to 16

1st Apt Over 26 Wks = 81

1st Apt Over 52 Wks = 17

As at 31/01/2026 under 18

1st Apt Over 26 Wks = 84

1st Apt Over 52 Wks = 18

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6. Longest recorded waiting time for a child currently waiting for a first appointment with a paediatric allergy service.

As at 31/01/2026 up to 16

Longest Wait 1st Apt Wks = 64 Wks

As at 31/01/2026 under 18

Longest Wait 1st Apt Wks = 99 Wks

Please note the paediatric allergy services only accepts referrals for children up to the age of 16. As you requested children under 18, we have given you both sets of data.

7. Number of hospital admissions of children related to allergic reactions or anaphylaxis during the most recent 12-month period available.

Date Range used 01/01/2025 to 31/12/2025 up to 16

Number of Admission for allergic reactions = 0

Number of Admission for anaphylaxis = 9

Date Range used 01/01/2025 to 31/12/2025 under 18

Number of Admission for allergic reactions = 0

Number of Admission for anaphylaxis = 9

8. Number of healthcare professionals currently working in roles specifically supporting paediatric allergy patients, including:

- Consultant allergists or immunologists – 0, but 2 consultant paediatricians with an interest/ additional qualification in allergy
- Specialist allergy nurses – 5 (not dedicated only to allergy)
- Specialist allergy dietitians - 0
- GPs with a special interest in paediatric allergy – 0 working in secondary care.

9. Does your health board maintain any central dataset or registry tracking children diagnosed with allergic conditions?

No.

10. Number of deaths of children (under 18) during the most recent 12-month period where an allergic reaction (including anaphylaxis) was recorded as the primary or contributing cause.

Unfortunately, we are unable to answer this question as the health board does not have access to death certification data.