

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/20/183
Transgender Patients

Request details

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to request the following information:

Please provide the number of appointments for transgender patients looked after by your trust's Gender Identity Clinic and (where relevant) Gender Identity Development Service that have been cancelled or postponed since Monday 23 March 2020 up to and including Monday 18 May 2020.

This should include, but not be limited to, initial appointments for first-time patients and new referrals.

Please include a breakdown of this data by age and gender identity.

Response details

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) can advise that we have recorded 8 cancellations due to Covid-19. The UHB can also confirm the following breakdown:

- 4 male patients and 4 female patients
- 5 patients aged 18-30 and 3 patients aged 31+

Regarding your request for information relating to a breakdown by age and gender, after considering your request, the UHB believes that the data requested is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and a more detailed disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this further detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.