

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/21/303
Associate Hospital Managers' Hearing Statistics

Request Details

I am writing to make a Freedom of Information Act request that you provide me with the data held by Cardiff and Vale University Health Board in relation to hearings convened under the s.23 discharge power contained in the Mental Health Act 1983 (s.23 MHA 1983). These hearings are generally referred to as Hospital Managers' Hearings, Associate Hospital Managers' Hearings, or Hospital Managers' Panels.

Information included in such a dataset(s) might include, but may not be limited to:

- Number of hearings scheduled, which may include a breakdown by type of hearing (e.g. divided by type of section (section 2, 3 etc.), and/or type of hearing (e.g. s.20 renewal, s.25 barring order)).
- Number of discharges, perhaps broken down by type of section/ hearing.
- Number of times a hearing request was refused because of the proximity of a Mental Health Tribunal hearing (38.13 *MHA 1983 Code of Practice*, 2015)
- Number of hearings cancelled before the hearing took place, with reasons (e.g. Responsible Clinician discharged patient, Tribunal discharged patient)
- Number of hearings held, perhaps broken down by type of section/ hearing (e.g. paper hearing).
- Number of adjournments, perhaps broken down by type of section/ hearing.
- Attendees at the hearing. For example, the number of times a patient attended, or was accompanied by their legal represented, or their Nearest Relative.

Response Details

Please see attached spreadsheet.