

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/22/514
Radiofrequency Ablation

1. How many patients have been treated with radiofrequency ablation (RFA) for the treatment of Barrett's oesophagus at UHW?

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) does not hold this information. Under Section 16 of the FOIA, which provides us with the duty to advise and assist, the UHB can inform you that since the implementation of the Radiofrequency Ablation (RFA) service in UHB in May 2020, 332 patients have been treated with RFA for the treatment of Barrett's Oesophagus at Llandough Hospital.

The RFA service is carried out in our Llandough Hospital Endoscopy unit.

2. Which consultant/s is/are trained to carry out the procedure?

RFA procedures are carried out by one consultant, Dr Haboubi, Consultant Gastroenterologist, in Cardiff and Vale University Health Board. Dr Haboubi has carried out training with a Consultant Gastroenterologist in Swansea Bay UHB and is happy to carry out training for other consultants in Health Boards across Wales to support the succession planning of the service with the support of our commissioners in Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC) who are engaged in ongoing discussion to support this.