

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/22/421

Community Carers

Information Requested:

I would like to make an application under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information:

(Please provide a breakdown from the last 3 years - 2019 - present, in calendar years not fiscal.)

- 1) How many patients have been sent to a care home by the health board due to there not being carers in the community available to provide the support/care for the patient at home.

Year / Totals	Transfers
2019	0
2020	1
2021	1
2022	0
Total	2

- 2) How much money has the health board spent on paying the care home for the patients full care package (even if this is via a third party e.g. social services pay and claim the money back from the health board.)

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees' regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.