

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/091

Eating Disorders

Information Requested:

This request relates to inpatient admissions to your NHS board with a primary or secondary diagnosis of an eating disorder (please include all eating disorders - i.e. ICD10 code F50 - Eating Disorders).

1. Please state the number of inpatients with an eating disorder diagnosis that were discharged from your board in:
 - a. 2018 - 31
 - b. 2019 - 28
 - c. 2020 - 64
 - d. 2021 - 81
 - e. 2022 - 46
 - f. Total - 250

Above is the number of patients discharged from an Inpatient Spell, with a code signifying eating disorders in their Primary or Second Diagnosis position.

2. Please break down the early totals above by inpatient BMI at time of discharge in the following categories:
 - i. BMI > 18.5
 - ii. BMI 17-18.5
 - iii. BMI 16-16.99
 - iv. BMI 15-15.99
 - v. BMI <15kg

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.