

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/059
Ventilators

Information Requested:

Who makes the decisions to put people on ventilators?

Response details:

This decision as to whether a patient should receive invasive ventilation is made on the basis of an assessment by a senior clinician in discussion usually, in Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, with an Intensive Care Consultant.

There is a separate process for non-invasive ventilation – a decision usually made by a senior decision maker in the Emergency Department or Medical Admissions Unit, Coronary Care Unit etc.