

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/24/252

Legal Services

Information Requested:

Please give the total health board spending to date on legal and non-legal services (e.g. investigations or advisory services on pre litigation strategy) in the case of [named individual]. Please include fees for both solicitors and barristers and please name the firms paid.

Response Details:

The solicitors representing Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) are the NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP) Legal and Risk team.

After considering your request for information regarding barristers, firms paid, and the total health board spending on the case of a named individual, the UHB believes that certain information requested is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018. Its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing with regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of the GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.