

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/24/084
Endoscopy Services

1) How many patients do you have on the endoscopy waiting list?

The number of patients reported under 'Diagnostic Endoscopy' in the Diagnostic and Therapy submission for January 2024 was 6,351.

2) What is the name of the endoscopy lead who oversees the endoscopy decisions?

Decisions are overseen by the Specialised Medicine Clinical Board.

3) How many scopes are you processing per week?

Approximately 320 scopes per week.

4) Are you planning any refurbishments, decants or expansions to the endoscopy department to expand or improve the services this year?

No.

5) What are the typical issues you are experiencing within endoscopy services?

Operator recruitment.

6) Have you ever used or considered using a mobile endoscopy unit and if so which one?

Yes – InHealth Solutions. Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) would not consider using mobile solutions again.

7) If you were to look at a mobile endoscopy unit, would you require staffing?

The UHB does not hold this information.

8) Do you currently use insourcing for your endoscopy lists and if so who do you use?

Yes – Remedy Healthcare Solutions.

9) Do you have a contingency plan if you experience a disaster situation or the endoscopy unit is unusable?

Yes.