

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/24/166**  
**Skilled Worker Visas for GPs**

**Information Requested:**

Please find below questions about GP practices in your area and visa sponsor status. GP practices need to have obtained a visa sponsorship licence if they want to recruit a GP from outside the UK who needs a skilled worker visa.

1. How many GP practices in your health board area are licensed visa sponsors currently?
2. How many GP practices in your health board area were licensed visa sponsors 12 months ago?
3. Is your health board actively seeking to increase the number of GP practices in the area that are visa sponsors? If so, how?

**Response Details:**

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) does not hold this information. Under Section 16 of the FOIA, which provides us with the duty to advise and assist, the UHB can inform you that the information may be held by NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP): [shared.services@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:shared.services@wales.nhs.uk)