

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/21/024**  
**Welsh Gender Service**

**Request Details**

**I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000). My request relates to funding of the Gender Identity Clinic at your trust, as well as wait times for Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) at your clinic.**

**1) How much money has your trust received in government funding in the financial year of 2019 to 2020, inclusive?**

After considering your request, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) believes that Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 applies in this instance and is refusing your request. The reason for relying on this exemption is set out below.

Under Section 21 of the Act, an organisation does not have to respond to a request if the information being sought is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means. The UHB has applied this exemption to your request as the information you are seeking is available in the public domain. Under our Section 16 obligation to advise and assist, I can confirm that the relevant data can be found by clicking on the following link;

**<https://cavuhb.nhs.wales/about-us/publications1/annual-reports-and-accounts/>**

**2) Specifically, how much does the Gender Identity Services at your trust receive from the trust's overall funding budget in the financial year of 2019 to 2020, inclusive?**

The Welsh Gender Service is commissioned by WHSSC (Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee). Therefore, the Welsh Gender Service does not receive a proportion of the Health Board's overall funding budget in any financial year as it is not required.

**3) How many patients at your Gender Identity Clinic(s) sought hormone replacement therapy in 2020?**

No patients sought hormone replacement therapy from our service in 2020.

**4) What is the average wait time between their referral to the Gender Identity Clinic and their first appointment at the Clinic in 2020?**

The length of wait is on average 2 years between a patient's referral date to their first appointment.

**5) What is the longest and shortest wait time between the patient's referral to the Clinic and their first appointment at the Clinic in 2020?**

The longest waiting time between a patient's referral to first appointment in 2020 is 2 years. The shortest waiting time between a patient's referral to first appointment in 2020 is 18 months.