

Reference:	FOI.9270.22
Subject:	Admissions from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home, Horeb
Date of Request:	29 June 2022

Requested:

a. Number of patients admitted from Blaendyffryn Nursing Home in Horeb between the periods;

- Jan - Dec 2019
- Jan - Dec 2020
- Jan - Dec 2021
- Jan - current date 2022

And the number of patients admitted in to Bronglais Hospital in Aberystwyth from Blaendyffryn Nursing Home in Horeb during the same periods listed above.

- b. During the same periods listed above, how many patients were admitted with infection symptoms.
- c. During the same periods listed above, how many patients were admitted with diabetes complications.
- d. During the same periods listed above, how many patients were admitted with severe bed sores.
- e. During the same periods listed above, how many patients were admitted and required a blood transfusion.
- f. During the same periods listed above, how many patients were discharged at the request of Blaendyffryn nursing home?
- g. During the same periods listed above, how many patients admitted from Blaendyffryn nursing home passed away while in hospital and did not return to the nursing home?

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with the information requested broken down by the calendar years 2019 to 2022, due to the low number of cases (4 and under), as there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. The UHB is therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA).

This information is protected by the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulations (UK GDPR), as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles and articles 6 and 9 of the UK GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore, there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

In reaching this decision, the Data Protection Act 2018/UK GDPR define personal data as data which relates to a living individual who can be identified solely from that data, or from that data and other information, which is in the possession of the data controller

However, whilst operating in accordance with the Section 45 Freedom of Information Code of Practice, the UHB has a duty to provide advice and assistance. Therefore, the UHB provides the total number of patients as a collective for the entire period of 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.

- a. The UHB confirms that there were eleven (11) patients admitted to hospital, over a total of twenty two (22) admissions, from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.

Additionally, the UHB confirms that there were no admissions from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home to Bronglais General Hospital, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.

To answer your request for questions b to f, a manual trawl of the patients' notes was required. However, of the eleven (11) patients, the UHB was only able to access and trawl seven (7) files, as four (4) were unavailable due to being in use. Therefore, the information provided below is for seven (7) files.

- b. The UHB confirms that five (5) patients were admitted to hospital from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home with infection symptoms, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.
- c. The UHB confirms that no patients were admitted to hospital from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home with diabetes complications, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.
- d. The UHB confirms that no patients were admitted to hospital from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home with severe bed sores, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.
- e. The UHB confirms that four (4) patients were admitted to hospital from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home that required a blood transfusion, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.
- f. The UHB confirms that no patients were discharged from hospital at the request of Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.
- g. The UHB confirms that one (1) patient admitted to hospital from Blaendyffryn Hall Nursing Home passed away in hospital and therefore, did not return to the nursing home, during the period 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2022.