

Reference:	FOI.6337.21
Subject:	Adult Mental Health Services and patients' accommodation status/issues
Date of Request:	25 June 2021

Requested:

1. The total number of people in contact with adult mental health services with accommodation statuses that indicate homelessness, such as rough sleeping, squatting, Night shelter/emergency hostel/Direct access hostel, sofa surfing, local authority temporary accommodation, staying with friends or family on a short term basis, or other homeless.
2. The number of nurses or support workers who support patients regarding their housing while they are inpatient in a mental health unit. These could be housing officers, housing support workers, special housing nurses, or similar professions that are specialised in housing support.
3. The number of nurses or support workers who support mental health patients regarding their housing while they are in the community. These could be housing officers, housing support workers, special housing nurses, or similar professions that are specialised in housing support.

Please could you provide the data in a monthly breakdown for the following years:
01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019; 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020; 01 January 2021 to latest available data.

Please could you provide the information in the form of a .csv.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides the information it holds, within the attached spreadsheet, as requested, at Attachment 1.

The UHB is unable to provide you with a monthly breakdown of the information for question 1, due to the low numbers of cases (5 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.

This information is protected by the Data Protection Act 2018/General Data Protection Regulations 2016 (GDPR), as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles and articles 6 and 9 of the 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/General Data Protection Regulations 2016 defines 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.

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 annual figures for question 1.