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| Reference: | FOI.7879.22 |
| Subject: | Adult Mental Health treatment waiting lists |
| Date of Request: | 4 January 2022 |

Requested:

I would like to make an application under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information: (please provide a breakdown from the last 2019 - present, in calendar years not fiscal.)

1. What is the current waiting list for Mental Health treatment for adults (from 18 upwards) at your University Health Board? (Should this be broken down into divisions/counties please provide the waiting list for each division/county).
2. What is the current average waiting time to be seen by a Psychologist/Therapist in your Health Board? Should services be broken down into counties / divisions please provide a breakdown of the average waiting time in each county/division.)
3. What is the longest length of time an individual patient has waited for mental health treatment in the past three years? 2019 - present. Please provide a breakdown for each county/division.

Response:

This information is already within the public domain; therefore, Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) has applied an exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as the information is accessible by another means. The UHB has answered a similar Freedom of Information request, FOI.7699.21 - Mental Health treatment for adults, which is available on the UHB's disclosure log webpage and can be accessed via the attached link:

<https://hduhb.nhs.wales/about-us/governance-arrangements/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>