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Subject:	Asbestos related illness
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Requested:

Please provide the following information from the financial years 2020/2021 to the end of the financial year 2025/2026:

1. The total number of patients aged under 21 who presented or were referred within your organisation with a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of an asbestos-related disease, including but not limited to: mesothelioma, asbestosis, pleural plaques, pleural effusion attributed to asbestos exposure, or diffuse pleural thickening.
2. Please break this figure down by financial year. Where the number of cases in any given year is five or fewer, please state "<5" rather than the exact figure.
3. Please confirm whether your organisation holds any coded data for these conditions in patients aged under 21, even if no cases have been recorded during the period.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that there are no patients aged under twenty-one (21) years recorded on the UHB's Welsh Patient Administration System (WPAS) that presented or were referred to the UHB for an asbestos related illness, during the 2020/21 to 2025/26 financial years.