

Reference:	FOI.5309.21
Subject:	Blood glucose monitoring metres
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Requested:

1. Do you have any guidelines or formularies in place which govern the use of patient blood glucose monitoring meters at the point of care?
If yes please provide the details of these guidelines.
2. Do you have any guidelines or formularies in place which govern the use of patient blood ketone monitoring meters at the point of care?
If yes please provide the details of these guidelines.
3. From the options below, please indicate the closest proportion of consolidated blood glucose and ketone meters in use at your site as compared to separate meters:
 - 10% consolidated meters vs 90% separate meters
 - 25% consolidated meters vs 75% separate meters
 - 50% consolidated meters vs 50% separate meters
 - 75% consolidated meters vs 25 % separate meters
 - 90% consolidated meters vs 10% separate meters

Response:

1. & 2. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides copies of its current blood glucose and ketone guidelines:
 - Blood Glucose Testing Best Practice Guideline – Attachment 1
 - Guidelines for Home Blood Glucose Monitoring – Attachment 2

Additionally, the UHB confirms that a tender for replacement meters has recently been issued by the All Wales Procurement Department in NHS Wales Shared Services Partnerships (NWSSP) and are currently developing new guidance on an All Wales basis, which will replace the guidance that is currently available.

The Freedom of Information Team in NWSSP, may be able to assist you further with your enquiry:-

shared.services@wales.nhs.uk or alternatively, you can contact: Information Governance Manager, 4-5 Charnwood Court, Heol Billingsley, Parc Nantgarw, Cardiff, CF15 7QZ.

3. The UHB confirms that the closest proportion of consolidated blood glucose and ketone meters compared to separate meters across the UHB is 50% consolidated meters vs 50% separate meters.