

Reference:	FOI.19181.25
Subject:	Bronglais General Hospital (BGH)
Date of Request:	22 December 2025

Requested:

1. The number and types of patient facilities in the emergency department.
2. The floorplans of the Emergency Department
3. The number of bed spaces per ward and the amount of these that are funded.
4. Any ward space that are not funded and are not operational.
5. The occupancy rates for each ward and area in the ED over the last 10 years.
6. The equipment list for a resuscitation bay and general ward bed space.
7. The number of staff, their speciality and grade, in relation to what is required over the last 10 years.

Clarification

5. The wards that I am speaking in question to are the other wards in the hospital and the ED separately.
6. For both wards, and Emergency Department areas (including pharmaceuticals).
7. All staff that are currently employed in the ED and all wards in BGH, their role and grade/band.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with all of the information requested for question 6, as it is estimated that the cost of answering your request would exceed the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. The “appropriate limit” represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours (or 2 ½ working days) in determining whether the UHB holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

The UHB does not hold a central record of items and equipment in resuscitation bays and general ward bed spaces, as bed spaces have different equipment requirements depending on individual patient needs. Therefore, in order to provide you with the information requested, the UHB would need to contact several teams and services including but not limited to the Emergency Department (ED), each ward, Estates and Facilities and IT departments in BGH, to request they undertake a search of their records to identify if they hold any equipment lists, that may fulfil this part of your request, as the information is not centrally recorded.

The UHB is therefore applying an exemption under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), which provides an exemption from a public authority’s obligation to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit.

However, under Section 16 of the FoIA, we are required as a public authority, to provide advice and assistance so far as it is reasonable to individuals who have made a request under the FoIA, this can include assisting a requester to further refine their request. As equipment covers many areas within the UHB i.e. mobile devices, room contents etc. The UHB therefore suggests that you may refine your request by being more specific as to the type of equipment required i.e. electronic equipment, medical supplies etc.

The UHB provides the accessible information it holds below.

1. The UHB provides below the type and number of facilities available in the Emergency Department (ED) in BGH:

- One (1) Crisis Room
- One (1) Emergency Nurse Practitioner (ENP) assessment room
- One (1) Eye examination room
- One (1) Paediatrics examination room
- One (1) Paediatrics waiting room
- One (1) Triage room
- Two (2) Resuscitation bays
- Four (4) Majors bays
- Four (4) Minors bays
- Four (4) Short Stay Triage if fully bedded or two (2) trolleys and six (6) chairs
- Eleven (11) CDU

2. The UHB provides a copy of the floor plan for the ED in BGH, at Attachment 1.

3. The UHB has applied an exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as some of the information requested is already within the public domain and is accessible by another means. The UHB has answered a similar Freedom of Information request, FOI.18119.25 - Hospital specifications, which is available on our disclosure log and provides the number of beds per ward and their specialties for BGH.

The link provided below will take you directly to the UHB's disclosure log webpage:

[Disclosure Log - Hywel Dda University Health Board \(nhs.wales\)](https://www.nhs.uk/disclosure-log/hywel-dda-university-health-board)

4. The UHB does not have any non-funded non-operational beds in its ED in BGH. However, there are twelve (12) unfunded beds on Y Banwy ward, six (6) of these are currently open due to infection prevention and control measures.

5. The UHB does not hold all the information requested, as occupancy in the ED is not recorded. However, the UHB provides within the table below the number of attendances at its ED in BGH, as recorded on the UHB's Welsh Patient Administration System (WPAS), for the 2016 to 2025 calendar years.

Calendar year	Number	Calendar year	Number
2016	28,450	2021	27,216
2017	29,311	2022	29,108
2018	30,268	2023	29,571
2019	31,019	2024	30,575
2020	22,416	2025	30,706

Additionally, measures such as average daily available beds, occupancy and average length of stay are available on the Welsh Government (WG) StatsWales website for the 2009/10 to 2023/24 financial years. Therefore, an exemption under Section 21 of the FoIA has been applied as some of the information requested as it is already within the public domain and is accessible by another means.

A link has been provided below which will take you directly to the relevant webpage, whereby the average daily occupied beds, by hospital, can be filtered:

[NHS beds by organisation and year, 2009-10 onwards](#)

Additionally, the UHB can confirm that the average daily bed occupancy in BGH was 135.89 for the 2024/25 financial year.

6. An exemption under Section 12 has been applied. However, under Section 16, the UHB provides copies of the equipment lists requested at the following attachments:

- Attachment 2 - Emergency and Urgent Care Centre (EUCC) BGH Resuscitation daily checklist
- Attachment 3 – EUCC equipment list
- Attachment 4 - General ward resuscitation checklist
- Attachment 5 – General ward bed space equipment and check list

A list of medications that are required to be immediately available and those that are required to be accessible is available on the Resuscitation Council UK website. An exemption under Section 21 of the FoIA has been applied as this information is already in the public domain and accessible by another means. A link to the relevant webpage has been provided below.

<https://www.resus.org.uk/library/quality-standards-cpr/acute-care-equipment-and-drug-lists>

Additionally, the following immediately accessible medications are included on the UHB’s Medical Emergency Trolleys:

- Adrenaline
- Calcium Chloride
- Amiodarone

7. The UHB provides within the tables below, the Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) of the Agenda for Change (A4C) and Medical and Dental (M&D) staff employed in the EUCC category in BGH, by staff group, and pay band/grade, as recorded on the Electronic Staff Record (ESR) system, at 5 January 2026.

EUCC A4C staff		
A4C staff group	Pay band	WTE
Additional Clinical Services (ACS)	Band 3	15.27
	Band 4	1.80
Administrative and Clerical (A&C)	Band 2	7.36
Nursing and Midwifery (N&M)	Band 5	33.39
	Band 6	10.57
	Band 7	5.55
	Band 8a	1.00

EUCC M&D staff group - Pay grade	WTE
Consultant Locum	1.00
Specialty Doctor	5.00
Specialty Registrar	0.00
Specialty Registrar Core Training	6.00

Additionally, the UHB provides within the tables below and overleaf, the WTE number of the A4C and M&D staff employed across BGH, by staff group, and pay band/grade, as recorded on the Electronic Staff Record (ESR) system, at 19 January 2026.

BGH A4C staff group	Pay band	WTE
Additional Professional Scientific and Technical (APST)	Band 4	1.07
	Band 5	7.33
	Band 6	3.46
	Band 7	3.89
	Band 8a	4.57
	Band 8b	2.60
	Band 8c	2.00
ACS	Band 2	109.03
	Band 3	87.27
	Band 4	30.63
	Band 5	7.80
	Band 6	1.00
A&C	Band 2	37.32
	Band 3	30.06
	Band 4	48.76
	Band 5	22.80
	Band 6	17.20
	Band 7	10.00
	Band 8a	8.00
	Band 8b	1.00
	Band 8c	2.00
	Band 8d	1.00
	Band 9	2.00
	Personal Salary	1.00
	Allied Health Professionals (AHP)	Band 5
Band 6		29.65
Band 7		21.69
Band 8a		6.00
Band 8c		0.80
Estates and Ancillary (E&A)	Band 1	0.32
	Band 2	90.25
	Band 3	25.93
	Band 4	6.00
	Band 5	9.00
	Band 6	2.00
	Band 7	1.00
Healthcare Scientists (HCS)	Band 5	3.60

	Band 6	18.50
	Band 7	6.40
	Band 8a	2.00
N&M	Band 5	189.99
	Band 6	100.41
	Band 7	60.51
	Band 8a	18.40
	Band 8c	1.00

BGH M&D staff - Pay grade	WTE
Consultant	34.55
Consultant Locum	18.40
Consultant Locum Max	0.00
Foundation House Officer 1	3.00
Foundation House Officer 2	2.00
Personal Salary	2.42
Specialty Doctor	10.00
Specialty Doctor - Locum	0.00
Specialty Doctor 2021	25.30
Specialty Registrar	0.00
Specialty Registrar Core training	20.00
Specialty Registrar FTSTA	4.00
Staff Grade Practitioner	0.00

Please note: the information has been provided for two (2) different dates due to the dates the data was extracted.