

Reference:	FOI.17878.25
Subject:	Cost improvement plans
Date of Request:	21 July 2025

Requested:

1. Your health board's 2025-26 cost improvement programme plan in full, including
 - a. the total value of the full-year planned efficiencies for each scheme
 - b. actual year end performance and
 - c. a detailed description of how each scheme is planning to make savings.
2. Details of how many redundancies your health board plans to make in 2025-26, split into clinical and non-clinical positions
3. A list of the independent sector healthcare providers being used by your health board to deliver elective care, what they are being used for and in what specialty, and how much was spent on these in 2024-25.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is applying an exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as this information is already in the public domain and is accessible by another means.

The information requested for question 1 was presented to and discussed at the UHB's Board meeting on 31 July 2025.

A link to the UHB's Board meeting webpage has been provided below.

[Board meetings 2025 - Hywel Dda University Health Board](#)

For ease of reference please click on the link below, which will take you directly to the Board paper for agenda item 8, Financial Performance Report.

31 July 2025 Board Meeting - Item 8:

hduhb.nhs.wales/about-us/your-health-board/board-meetings-2025/board-agenda-and-papers-31-july-2025/board-agenda-and-papers-31-july-2025/8-financial-report-pdf/

2. The UHB confirms that there are no planned redundancies to date, nor are there recruitment freezes in place for the 2025/26 financial year.
3. The UHB provides within the table below, the independent sector healthcare providers it has used for elective care; including the specialty, service and spend for the 2024/25 financial year.

Provider	Speciality	Service	Spend
BMI Healthcare	Trauma and Orthopaedics (T&O)	Outpatient consultation / inpatient treatments	£443,000.00

Compleo	Radiology (MRI)	MRI scanning diagnostics	£524,000.00
Elective Services	Cardiology	Scanning of patients	£47,000.00
Emersons Green	Ear, Nose & Throat (ENT)	Outpatient consultation / inpatient treatments	£104,000.00
Emersons Green	T&O	Outpatient consultation / inpatient treatments	£1,027,000.00
Everlight	Radiology (CT)	Reporting of CT scans	£51,000.00
Everlight	Radiology (MRI)	Reporting of MRI scans	£46,000.00
Globe	Radiology (CT)	Reporting of CT scans	£37,000.00
HBS	T&O	Outpatient consultation / inpatient treatments	£915,000.00
Medinet	Neurophysiology	Outpatient consultations	£42,000.00
Spa Medica	T&O	Outpatient consultation / inpatient treatments	£1,654,000.00
	Ophthalmology	Cataracts and Intravitreal therapy	
Total		£4,890,000.00	