

Reference:	FOI.3849.20
Subject:	Endoscopy
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Requested:

From the 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2019 in your trust:

1. How many endoscopists were employed?
2. How many endoscopists were colorectal surgeons, upper gastrointestinal surgeons, gastroenterologists or nurse endoscopists? Please include any details of any other groups of endoscopists that we have not mentioned above.
3. For each group of endoscopists listed above (i.e. colorectal surgeons, upper gastrointestinal surgeons, gastroenterologists, nurse endoscopists, etc.):
 - How many endoscopy lists were performed in total by each group in the 12 month period?
 - What procedures (i.e. esophagogastroduodenoscopy (OGD), colonoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy etc.) and how many procedures were performed by each group in the 12 month period?
4. How many endoscopy procedures were performed in theatres and what were these procedures?
5. How many endoscopy procedures were performed in the radiology department, what were these procedures and who performed them (i.e. colorectal surgeons, gastroenterologists etc.)?

Please note that we are referring to only gastrointestinal endoscopy procedures and not respiratory procedures.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that thirty (30) endoscopists were employed during the defined period.
2. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of endoscopists by job role, for the period requested.

Endoscopist	Number
Nurse Endoscopist	3
Gastroenterologists	10
Surgeons	17

3. The UHB provides, within the table overleaf, the number of endoscopy lists and the procedures performed, for the defined period.

Endoscopy list	Procedure	Number of Lists
Surgical Endoscopy	Gastrosopies	1,715
Surgical Endoscopy	Colonoscopies	2,447
Surgical Endoscopy	Flexible Sigmoidoscopy	1,520
Surgical Endoscopy	Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangio-Pancreatography (ERCP)	389
Surgical Endoscopy	Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS)	126
Gastroenterology Endoscopy	Gastrosopies	3,047
Gastroenterology Endoscopy	Colonoscopies	1,839
Gastroenterology Endoscopy	Flexible Sigmoidoscopy	1,318
Gastroenterology Endoscopy	ERCP	70

4. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of endoscopy procedures performed in theatre, by job role, for the defined period.

Theatre	Role type	Number of Procedures
Endoscopy	Surgeon	258
Endoscopy	Gastroenterologists	44

5. The UHB provides, within the table below, the number of endoscopy procedures performed in radiology, by job role, for the defined period.

Radiology	Role type	Number of Procedures
ERCP	Surgeon	142
Stents	Surgeon	8