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| Reference: | FOI.15841.24 |
| Subject: | Gifts and hospitality registers |
| Date of Request: | 28 October 2024 |

Requested:

- 1) Please can you supply a breakdown for the years 2022-23 and 2023-24 of items logged on your organisation's gifts and hospitality register by/relating to nursing staff* (include Agenda for Change band 5 and above – please see list at the end of this email). I request the following details laid out like the following example, in table form:

| Date item declared | Description of gift | Which nursing role*/band* received gift? | Reason for gift | Value | Accepted or declined? |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Jan 2023 | Confectionary | Paediatric nurse band 5 | Thank you for inpatient care | £15 | Accepted |
| Apr 2023 | Plants (3 X orchids) | Oncology ward manager band 7 | Thank you for inpatient care | £30 | Accepted |

- 2) Please can you also tell me – does your organisation have a policy with a monetary limit on gifts (i.e. gifts valued under £50 are allowed) and are cash gifts ever permitted?
- 3) Finally, please state whether any nursing staff at your organisation were left any gifts or sums of money in patients' wills during this time period?

Response:

- 1) Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) can confirm that no gifts were registered by or relating to nursing staff during the 2022/23 financial year.

The table below provides detail of gifts registered by or relating to nursing staff during the 2023/24 financial year.

| Date item declared | Description of gift | Which nursing role*/band* received gift? | Reason for gift | Value | Accepted or declined? |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| May 2023 | Marks and Spencer Voucher | Community Staff Nurse (1) | Thank you from patients | £15 | Accepted |

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| May 2023 | Marks and Spencer Voucher | Community Staff Nurse (2) | Thank you from patients | £15 | Accepted |
| July 2023 | Boutique voucher | Senior Sister | Thank you from student nurse | £20 | Accepted |
| February 2024 | iPad & Case, LCD Writing boards x 4, Dyson Fans x 3, Starry Ocean Projector, Spaceman Projector x 2 Activity Books x 4 Dot-to-dot books x 4, Dino Stickers, Paper Pads, Paw Patrol Game compendium, Pencils and crayons, Paw Patrol Memory, Mini Rain Maker Toy | Ward Manager | Donation Received from Parent for Paediatric Ward | £2000 | Accepted |
| March 2024 | 2 Galaxy tablets with cases | Charge Nurse | Tablets were provided as a gift to the unit for the benefit of the patients, as there are no TVs in the rooms. They will be used by patients only. | £400 Approx | Accepted |

- 2) The UHB has applied a Section 21 exemption to this part of your request as the information is accessible within the public domain. The UHB's Standards of Behaviour policy is accessible on the UHB's website at the hyperlink provided below. Page 14 contains a section entitled 'Gifts from service users/ patient or their relatives', providing the information you request.

[Standards of behaviour policy](#)

3) During the 2022/23 financial year, three members of staff were named in the will of a former patient; of these members of staff, one was a registered nurse. The staff members operated in accordance with the Standards of Behaviour policy and did not accept the legacy gifts; instead, the gifts were directed to Hywel Dda Health Charities and allocated to the designated funds within each of their departments.

The UHB does not hold any records of nursing staff being left gifts in a patient or service user's will during the 2023/24 financial year.