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Subject:	Mental health services for LGBTQ+ young people
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Requested

I am writing to make an open government request information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am part of a team conducting a NIHR funded research study (see details at the end of this letter) looking to map all of the LGBTQ+ specific mental health services for young people aged 12 – 25 years. We are interested in finding out information about any early intervention services, especially CAMHS and EIS that provide specialist LGBTQ+ mental health support.

Please could you provide answers to the following questions:

1	Does your trust provide a specific mental health service for LGBTQ+ young people? (for example: specific LGBTQ+ group within a wider service, or an employee whose job is wholly or partly to provide specifically for LGBTQ+ young people) If yes: who would be the best person to contact about this service?	Yes/No/Don't Know Name/Email
2	Are your staff offered LGBTQ+ awareness training? If yes: is this training mandatory?	Yes/No/Don't Know Yes/No/Don't Know
3	Do you deliver the training in house or is it provided by an external partner?	In house/ external/ Not applicable
4	Do you have a specific policy for working with LGBTQ+ people? (Separate from a wider equality/diversity or inclusion statement)	Yes/No/Don't Know

Response:

1. No, Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) does not provide a specific standalone mental health service for the treatment of LGBTQ+ young people.
2. UHB mental health service staff are not offered specific LGBTQ+ awareness training. However, in recent years the UHB has commissioned an external provider to deliver Transgender Awareness training in addition to internal Gender Awareness training provided by UHB employed Psychologists.

3. Please see response to question 2.

4. No, the UHB does not have a separate policy for working with LGBTQ+ people.