

Reference:	FOI.11518.23
Subject:	Neurological disorders and Mental Health (MH) needs
Date of Request:	19 April 2023

Requested:

I would like to request the following information regarding adult neurological and mental health services. **Please provide answers on the attached and accompanying Excel spreadsheet.**

For the avoidance of doubt, when referring to the terms 'neurological' and 'neurological disorders', please include; brain injury (including acquired brain injury and traumatic brain injury), spinal injury, neuro-disabilities (including but not limited to Parkinson's disease, early-onset dementia, multiple sclerosis, motor neurone disease, Huntington's disease, cerebral palsy and epilepsy), stroke, neurobehavioral rehabilitation and cognitive rehabilitation. This list is meant as a guide and is by no means exhaustive.

For the avoidance of doubt, when referring to the term 'mental health needs', please include; anxiety, depression, personality disorder, severe affective disorders, schizophrenia, and mental ill-health that causes challenging behaviour, all of which are to such a degree that the person experiences significant impairment and as such is unable to care for themselves independently. This list is meant as a guide and is by no means exhaustive.

1. Who within the Health Board has the commissioning responsibility for adults with mental health needs? Please provide their:
 - Name
 - Job title
 - Telephone number
 - Email address
2. Who within the Health Board has the commissioning responsibility for adults with neurological disorders? Please provide their:
 - Name
 - Job title
 - Telephone number
 - Email address

For questions 3 through 8, please supply the following information for the financial years 2019/20 to 2022/23, and where possible, the budgeted or most up-to-date projection available for 2023/24. Please include the data from all funding streams, including CHC, S117s etc.

3. Please provide the total number of adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of mental health needs who have been funded during the financial year in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient mental health hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)

4. Please provide the gross total expenditure on adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of mental health needs funded during the financial year in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient mental health hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)
5. Please provide the average and highest weekly expenditure (fee) per individual throughout the financial year for adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of mental health needs funded in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient mental health hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)
6. Please provide the average and highest hourly expenditure (fee) per individual throughout the financial year for adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of mental health needs funded in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient mental health hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)
7. Please provide the total number of adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of a neurological disorder who have been funded during the financial year in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)
8. Please provide the gross total expenditure on adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of a neurological disorder funded during the financial year in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)
9. Please provide the average and highest weekly expenditure (fee) per individual throughout the financial year for adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of a neurological disorder funded in the following settings:
 - a. Nursing care homes
 - b. Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - c. Supported living
 - d. Inpatient hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)

10. Please provide the average and highest hourly expenditure (fee) per individual throughout the financial year for adults (18 to 64 years old) with a primary support reason of a neurological disorder funded in the following settings:
- Nursing care homes
 - Residential care homes (without nursing)
 - Supported living
 - Inpatient hospital beds (please include all inpatient beds, such as acute, PICU, secure and locked rehabilitation etc.)

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide you with all of the information requested, as it is estimated that the cost of answering your request would exceed the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. The “appropriate limit” represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours (or 2½ working days) in determining whether the UHB holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

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. In this case, the UHB has fulfilled its obligation and has provided what it can up to the ‘appropriate limit’.

The UHB is unable to provide the data for the requested age range of 18 to 64 years of age, as it is unable to separate the age range of patients within the financial ledgers and would require a manual search. Therefore, the figures provided are for all ages.

In respect of the Mental Health inpatient beds the UHB does not have a central record of the hourly and weekly rates. Providing this information would require a manual trawl of records from the relevant financial year.

However, under section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act, the UHB has a duty to provide advice and assistance. Therefore, the UHB has provided the accessible information it holds, up to the ‘appropriate limit’, within the spreadsheet, as requested, at Attachment 1.

Additionally, the UHB does not hold the information requested for questions 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 7d, 8d, 9d and 10d for the 2022/23 financial year, as this data is provided to the UHB by Digital Health and Care Wales (DHCW) annually and had not been received as at the date of your request. Furthermore, the UHB does not hold projected costing information for the 2023/24 financial year.