

<b>Reference:</b>	FOI.1762.19
<b>Subject:</b>	Nutritional management of people with colorectal cancer
<b>Date of Request:</b>	24 October 2019

**Requested and response:**

Name of organisation (NHS Trust):

The name of the organisation is Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB)

Please list the acute hospital site/s within the Trust:

The UHB has four (4) acute hospitals:

Glangwili General Hospital  
 Bronglais General Hospital  
 Prince Philip Hospital  
 Withybush General Hospital

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOR EACH ACUTE HOSPITAL SITE LISTED ABOVE**

**HOSPITAL AND SERVICES**

1. The hospital would be described as a (please delete as appropriate):
  - District general (*defined as a major provider of secondary care in the local area*)
  - Teaching hospital (*defined as a centre of secondary or tertiary care in a major city that is affiliated with a medical school and/or has a large academic department*)

Each of the four hospitals listed above are District General Hospitals.

2. Total number of inpatient beds at this hospital:

This information is already within the public domain therefore the UHB has applied an Exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) as the information is accessible by another means. The number of inpatient beds is available on the Welsh Government website for the periods 2009/10 to 2018/19.

For ease of reference please click on the attached link which will take you directly to the statistics for Wales webpage: <https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Health-and-Social-Care/NHS-Hospital-Activity/NHS-Beds/nhsbeds-by-organisation-site>

The 2019/20 data is not currently available. However, is intended for future publication and is therefore exempt under Section 22 of the Act. Section 22 can be applied when there is a clear intention to publish the information requested at the time the request was received.

3. Does the hospital provide colorectal cancer services (please delete as appropriate): Y

The UHB provides colorectal cancer services in Glangwili General Hospital and Withybush General Hospital.

4. Is the hospital a specialist colorectal cancer care centre (please delete as appropriate): Y

The UHB has one specialist colorectal cancer Multidisciplinary team (MDT) that covers care provided across the Health Board. Both GGH and WGH provide elective specialist colorectal cancer surgery.

**DIETETIC SERVICE**

5. How many dietitians are employed in the hospital (please answer in FTE units):

The UHB has 12.6 whole time equivalent (WTE) registered dietitians across the four hospitals, broken down in the table overleaf:

Hospital	FTE
Glangwili General Hospital	4.6
Bronglais General Hospital	2.6
Prince Philip Hospital	2.8
Withybush General Hospital	2.6

6. How many dietitians are commissioned to provide dietetic services in each cancer type (please answer in FTE units. Where no time is commissioned, please enter 0):

	Colorectal cancer care	Breast cancer care	Lung cancer care	Pancreato-hepato-biliary cancer care	Other
Dedicated, tumour-specific, post*	0	0	0	0	0
Specialist general cancer care dietitian**	0	0	0	0	0

\* This does not include specialist cancer posts that cover multiple cancer types.

\*\*E.g. a cancer care dietitian that covers multiple cancer types – time is not split by cancer type

The UHB have no specifically commissioned dietitians for the cancer care areas mentioned above. All patients referred to dietetics are prioritised and provided with dietetic input according to need and risk. The dietetic support for patients with the mentioned cancer diagnoses may be provided by the hospitals or the community dietetics teams.

7a. Is there any band 5, general dietetic cover for colorectal cancer care (please delete as appropriate): Y

The UHB does not have any Band 5 general dietetic cover for colorectal cancer care.

7b. If yes, how many dietitians are commissioned (please answer in FTE units)

Not applicable

8. If there is dietetic time commissioned for colorectal cancer care at the hospital, does this include outpatient or community follow up after discharge? (please delete as appropriate)

N/A- no dietetic time commissioned for colorectal cancer care

Yes, by the colorectal cancer specialist dietitian

Yes, by a general cancer specialist dietitian

Yes, follow up by the community dietetic team

Yes, by a non-specialist dietitian (band 5)

No outpatient or community follow up available

Other – please specify:

The UHB confirms the answer as N/A. No dietetic time is commissioned specifically for colorectal cancer care. Hospital and community dietetic support is provided to patients referred to the general dietetic service by dietitians with a range of clinical skills and knowledge and experience according to the needs of the patient.

9. If dietetic time is commissioned for colorectal cancer care, where does the funding come from?

Not applicable