Reference:	FOI.21310.26
Subject:	Placental Growth Factor (PlGF) based testing
Date of Request:	12 August 2026

Requested:

This request concerns placental growth factor (PlGF)-based testing—including standalone PlGF assays and sFlt-1/PlGF ratio tests—for suspected pre-eclampsia.

Please provide:

1. Whether the Health Board currently offers PlGF-based testing.

2. The hospitals or maternity services where it is available.

3. The test and manufacturer used, and whether testing is performed in-house or by another laboratory.

4. The number of tests performed or ordered in 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 to date.

5. A copy or link to the current clinical guideline or pathway governing its use.

6. If testing is not available, whether there are any recorded plans to introduce it.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that it does not currently offer PlGF-based testing, nor does it refer patients to another organisation.

2 - 5. Not applicable.

6. The UHB confirms that a pilot project for the implementation PLGF tests, has been approved to commence during Autumn 2026, following the completion of the relevant governance processes. The PLGF test selected for the pilot is manufactured by QuidelOrtho.