

Reference:	FOI.20144.26
Subject:	Policy on school nurse provision for home educated children
Date of Request:	9 April 2026

Requested:

For the period 1st January 2023 to 8th April 2026.

1. Please would you provide me with your policy on provision of school nurse services for electively home educated children and young people, including on approach to confidentiality of access and provision.
2. Please would you confirm if non-clinical identifying data on home educated children and young people is shared from school nurse services with the LA for non-clinical purposes, for example with the education department
3. Please would you confirm how and when clinical data on home educated children is shared by school nurses, who this data is shared with, and for what purposes? Is clinical data shared for non-clinical purposes with council departments?
4. Please would you confirm and demonstrate how home educating families are made aware of data sharing from school nurse team sources, if and when it occurs.
5. Please would you confirm if you have provision for electively home educated families to decline consent for information sharing from school nurse services in your area.
6. What training and education do you or have your provided members of staff in your school nurse services about elective home education? please provide copies of training materials used.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) does not hold the requested information as it does not have a policy for the provision of a school nurse service for electively home educated children and young people (CYP). However, the UHB's School Nursing Service is working towards the implementation of the Welsh Government (WG) Healthy Child Wales Programme: for school age children, alongside other School Nursing Services in Wales. A link to the WG programme is provided below:

[Healthy Child Wales Programme for school aged children: introduction \[HTML\] | GOV.WALES](#)

2. The UHB confirms that no non-clinical identifying data on home educated CYP is shared by the UHB's School Nurse Service with the Local Authorities (LAs) for non-clinical purposes. However, the UHB is in the process of developing a tool in accordance with the WG Wales Accord on the Sharing of Personal Information (WASPI) to facilitate the sharing of non-clinical demographics between the UHB and the LAs. Further information on WASPI is available on the WG website. A link to the relevant webpage is provided below:

[WASPI Home - Welsh Accord on Sharing of Personal Information](#)

1. The UHB confirms that clinical data for home educated CYP is only shared by the UHB's School Nurse Service with the LAs when following the All Wales Safeguarding procedures. A link to the Wales Safeguarding Procedures webpage is provided below:

[Safeguarding Wales](#)

2. & 5. Please see responses to questions 3 and 4.
6. The UHB confirms that no specific training has been provided in relation to home educated CYP.