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Subject:	Privatisation of the NHS
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Requested:

There is considerable press coverage at the moment about the Privatisation of the NHS in England, so my questions are:

1. Are there any Private GP surgeries in the Hywel Dda University Health Board?
2. Have any of my health records been passed to parties outside the Hywel Dda University Health Board?
3. Are there any plans to privatise services in the Hywel Dda University Health Board?

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that all GP Surgeries within the UHB are NHS publicly funded.

There are some elements of private non-NHS work that GP Practices choose to undertake. However, the UHB would not hold this information.

2. This part of your request is in relation to personal information and therefore, does not fall under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However, a leaflet is available that provides information on your rights and can be accessed via the attached link:

<https://111.wales.nhs.uk/pdfs/YourInfo-YourRights-English.pdf>

3. The UHB regrets to inform you that it does not hold the information requested as the UHB is part of NHS Wales and is the responsibility of the Welsh Government (WG). Therefore, WG would make decisions surrounding the privatisation of services.

We therefore recommend that you redirect your request to the Freedom of Information Team in WG, who may be able to help you with your enquiry. Contact details are as follows:-

Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales or alternatively, you can contact: Freedom of Information Officer, Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.