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Subject:	Referral to treatment waiting time data in the NHS
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Requested

I was wondering if you could provide me with the monthly number of completed pathways for each treatment function broken down by the number of weeks taken for your local health board for both admitted and non-admitted patients.

I am looking to get data for every month between April 2013 and March 2019.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is unable to provide the information requested as the UHB does not record information in this manner. The UHB is unable to split admitted and non-admitted pathways nor is it able to provide an accurate average or percentile. The UHB has therefore provided the information it holds in response to your request in the attached spreadsheet (Attachment 1) as requested. The data provided is in a Microsoft Excel table with the columns reflecting the banded week the pathway was closed.

We are unable to provide you with all the information requested, due the low numbers and the potential risk of identifying individuals.
Where the figures in the table have been replaced with an asterisk (*), the UHB is unable to provide you with the exact number due to the low numbers (less than 5), as there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. The UHB is therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

This information is protected by the Data Protection Act 2018/General Data Protection Regulations 2016 (GDPR), as its disclosure would constitute unfair and unlawful processing and would be contrary to the principles and articles 6 and 9 of the GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

In reaching this decision, the Data Protection Act 2018/General Data Protection Regulations 2016 defines personal data as data which relates to a living individual who can be identified solely from that data or from that data and other information, which is in the possession of the data controller.