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Subject:	Respite care provision
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Requested

1. How many respite care facilities do you have, or have you commissioned, and what services do they provide?
2. How many respite care facilities did you have, or did you commission, in the financial year 2009-10 and what services do/did they provide?
3. What is your budget for respite care provision in the financial year 2019-2020?
4. What has your respite care budget been for each financial year, for the previous ten years (starting from financial year 2009-2010)?
5. How many people in your area benefitted from a respite service in this time?
6. Of those who received a service, how many were:
 - a) Adult carers of adults
 - b) Adult carers of children
 - c) Young carers (under 18)
7. Do you have a waiting list for respite care? If so, how many carers are waiting for respite care services in your area?
8. How many applications for respite care in your area were unmet?

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides respite care through its long term care service and will occasionally jointly fund respite provision with the Local Authority for Mental Health and Learning Disability (MH&LD) patients, however these commissions are organised and led by the Local Authorities. For further information regarding the commissioning of respite care for MH&LD patients, the UHB would recommend you resubmit your request to each of the Local Authorities, further information on how to do this can be found via the following web links:

Carmarthenshire County Council - foia@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Ceredigion County Council - foi@ceredigion.gov.uk

Pembrokeshire County Council - FOI@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

The UHB does not provide respite care to paediatric patients, however for patients who are assessed as requiring continuing healthcare there are thirteen care packages in places whereby care is delivered in the family home. The majority of the care required is overnight mainly for children and young people requiring overnight ventilation and/or oxygen, or where here in a requirement for clearing secretions and maintaining airways during seizure episodes.

The UHB has answered the remainder of the questions within your information request from a Long Term Care perspective below:

1. The UHB's long term care service does not have a fixed number of respite care facilities. Respite care is arranged when individual patient need arises, by spot purchasing nursing home beds or providing respite care for the patient within their own home if sustainable.
2. The UHB does not hold the information requested for the 2010 calendar year.
3. There is no allocated budget for respite care, arrangements are made based upon individual patient need.
4. The UHB does not have an allocated budget nor does it hold information reaching back to 2010. However the UHB's expenditure by the long term care team on respite services is provided within the table below.

Financial Year	Expenditure
2011/12	£64,857.15
2012/13	£118,200.66
2013/14	£99,733.41
2014/15	£129,195.61
2015/16	£95,178.37
2016/17	£107,431.00
2017/18	£65,991.82

5. The table below provides the number of people who benefitted from respite care within the requested timeframe.

Financial Year	Number
2011/12	21
2012/13	33
2013/14	26
2014/15	27
2015/16	32
2016/17	30
2017/18	20

6. All people who received support were adult carers of adults.
7. The UHB does not have waiting list for those awaiting respite care.
8. None, the UHB were able to support all requests.