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Subject:	Synagis
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## Requested

1. Please complete the number of patients treated with Synagis (palivizumab) in the grid below. Please note that the total number of patients (A to E) in each column must add to total patients in the last row in the corresponding column.

Patients / babies treated with Synagis in the last three years	Total number patients treated with Synagis (Palivizumab) April 2018 to March 2019	Total number patients treated with Synagis (Palivizumab) April 2017 to March 2018	Total number patients treated with Synagis (Palivizumab) April 2016 to March 2017
A. Total number of patients with BPD / CLD diagnosis			
B. Total number of patients with CHD diagnosis			
C. Total number of <29wga (without BPD/CHD diagnosis)			
D. Total number of multiple births immunised (without BPD/CHD diagnosis			
E. Other patients (please specify:)			
Total number of patients treated with Synagis in each of the last 3 years			

BPD: bronchopulmonary dysplasia; CLD: Chronic Lung Disease; CHD: congenital heart disease

2. Please advise which OPCS codes are used within your Trust to code respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) prophylaxis treatment.

Code Description	Used within Trust to indicate patient received RSV prophylaxis treatment? Yes/No	
X86.5 Respiratory syncytial virus prevention drugs band 1		
X44.2 Intramuscular injection of vaccine		
Other (if not listed above, please specify code(s)):		

3. If your Trust does not provide RSV prophylaxis treatment and you refer your patients to another Trust, please state to which Trust(s) patients are referred.

## Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) has provided the information requested within the template provided, Attachment 1.

Within Attachment 1, where the figures in the tables have been replaced with an asterisk (\*), the UHB is unable to provide you with the exact number of patients due to the low numbers of cases (5 and under), as there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. The UHB has also replaced totals which could be used to calculate the redacted figure with a double asterisk (\*\*). 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.