



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

ATISN 15112

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Dear

### **ATISN 15112 – Funding for clinical psychology training**

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 2 May. I have interpreted your request for information as:

1. Clarify if the Minister for Health and Social Services (MHSS) is responsible for authorising the allocation of public money to Health Education in Wales (HEIW) in respect of the provision of employment and pre-registration training in clinical psychology of NHS employees employed by Cardiff and Vale University Health Board.
2. Clarify under what statutory legislation the MHSS allocates public money to HEIW in respect of point 1 above.
3. Copies of correspondence sent by the MHSS and/or Welsh Government to HEIW setting out the legal basis on which public money is allocated to HEIW in respect of point 1 above.

### **Our response**

1. I can confirm the Minister is responsible for authorising the allocation of public money in response of the functions of HEIW, one of which is education commissioning.
2. Section 171 of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 (“the Act”) provides that the Welsh Ministers must pay in respect of each financial year to a Special Health Authority sums not exceeding the amount allotted for that year by the Welsh Ministers to the Special Health Authority towards meeting the expenditure of the Special Health Authority which is attributable to the performance of its functions in that year.
3. Officials have thoroughly reviewed all related correspondence issued to HEIW and can confirm that none of the documents set out the legal basis on which public money is allocated to HEIW (in respect to point 1 above). The documents therefore fall outside the scope of this request.

### **Next steps**

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

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Welsh Government,  
Cathays Park,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 3NQ

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Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
Wilmslow,  
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SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,