

29 November 2022

Dear

ATISN 16818 – Clinical Academic Training Awards

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 01 November 2022. You have requested the following:

- *What was the total annual spend made by the Welsh Government (via Health and Care Research Wales and RCBC Wales) to provide all the clinical academic training awards for each of each of the five financial years 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22?*

Our Response

In relation to personal/training awards, only two schemes are currently focused on health professionals and clinical academic development. These are the NHS Research Time Award Scheme and Welsh Government support for RCBC Wales. Our Studentship and Fellowship awards have an academic focus and fund applications submitted by career researchers in universities.

The table below shows Welsh Government spend in each of the years you have specified for RCBC Wales and NHS RTA award holders in the professions you have listed in your request. Please note information on specific RCBC Wales awards is held by RCBC Wales who issue and administer the awards and not Welsh Government.

Award	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	Total
RCBC Wales	£200,000	£200,000	£199,996	£200,000	£200,000	£999,996
NHS RTA	£48,752	£120,630	£154,773	£134,222	£77,883	£536,260

Should you require further information regarding the table provided above, you can directly contact the Research & Development Division, Head of Programmes, who can assist with further queries. They can be contacted at hssrd@gov.wales

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:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,

Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
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,