

23 October 2023

Dear

Request for Information - ATISN 19151

Thank you for your information request received on 4 and 6 October. You asked:

- the proportion of the court appointed guardians who are male;
- to detail what unconscious bias training specifically that the guardian allocated to your case has received over the last 12 months.

Our response

The proportion of the court appointed guardians who are male

Court appointed Guardians are Family Court Advisors who the family court appoints as a 'Guardian' in certain types of cases. Cafcass Cymru employs a total of 152 Family Court Advisers, 19 of whom are male, which equates to 12.5% of the total number of FCAs employed.

Unconscious bias training specifically that the guardian allocated to your case has received over the last 12 months

We do not hold information matching the description of this part of your request.

If you are dissatisfied with our 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:

Nigel Brown
Chief Executive
Cafcass Cymru
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Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. Normally, however, you should pursue the matter through our internal procedure before you complain to the Information Commissioner.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely