Grŵp lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol Health and Social Services Group

Ref: ATISN 19269



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Dear

ATISN 19269 - Covid Vaccination

Thank you for your letter which was received on 08 November 2023 regarding COVID-19 vaccinations. Your request for information has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

You have asked for the following:

- 1. How many people without other underlying health conditions died at the Heath Hospital (UHW) in 2021 and 2022?
- 2. You asked the above question of Cardiff Council and was told the data does not exist. You do not understand this, because the figure for 2021 was 17 people. You therefore ask for the 2021 and 2022 figures.
- 3. What was the monthly all-cause mortality rate for the health board areas of Wales from January 2012 to date and for Wales as a whole?
- 4. What was the percentage of take up for all COVID jabs specifying all ages and an overall total?
- 5. How many cases of myocarditis has Wales had since January 2012 to date?
- 6. How many cases of Guillain-Barré syndrome has Wales had since January 2012 to date, specifying the monthly total?
- 7. What is the overall rate of heart disease in Wales as diagnosed monthly from January 2011 to date?

Our Response

 Welsh Government does not hold this data. It is possible the data is held by Digital Health and Care Wales (DHCW) or can sourced from the University Hospital of Wales.

DHCW can be contacted by using either of the following email addresses: DHCW.Info@wales.nhs.uk or DHCW.FOI@wales.nhs.uk

The University Hospital of Wales can contacted by using either the following link or email address: How to contact us - Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (nhs.wales) or FOI.Requests@wales.nhs.uk

- 2. As Question 1, Welsh Government does not hold this data and you may wish to contact either DHCW or UHW using the contact details provided above.
- 3. The all-cause mortality rate data for Health Boards by month can be found in Tabs 3a to 3d in this dataset: <u>Deaths due to coronavirus (COVID-19) by English region and Welsh health board Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)</u>. This covers the monthly time period March 2020 to July 2023. For data prior to this you will need to contact the Office for National Statistics directly as they hold the data. You can do this using the following email address: health.data@ons.gov.uk.
- Public Health Wales (PHW) publishes uptake statistics on COVID-19 vaccination campaigns on its website: <u>COVID-19 vaccination - Public | Tableau Public</u>.

Figures for the coverage of primary doses and the universal booster among those alive and resident in Wales as at 06/07/2023 (the universal offer ended on 30/06/23) can be found in the table below:

| Age Group | Wales Residents | Dose 1 (n) | Dose 1 uptake (%) | Dose 2 (n) | Dose 2 uptake (%) | Universal Booster (n) | Universal Booster (%) |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 90 plus | 32,040 | 29,973 | 93.55 | 29,820 | 93.07 | 29,118 | 90.88 |
| 80-89 | 153,164 | 148,662 | 97.06 | 147,987 | 96.62 | 145,056 | 94.71 |
| 70-79 | 326,823 | 315,103 | 96.41 | 313,580 | 95.95 | 306,283 | 93.72 |
| 60-69 | 407,700 | 381,884 | 93.67 | 378,264 | 92.78 | 361,274 | 88.61 |
| 50-59 | 460,427 | 415,144 | 90.17 | 408,883 | 88.81 | 374,965 | 81.44 |
| 40-49 | 401,935 | 334,800 | 83.30 | 325,049 | 80.87 | 273,127 | 67.95 |
| 30-39 | 456,722 | 354,407 | 77.60 | 337,318 | 73.86 | 251,280 | 55.02 |
| 16-29 | 546,867 | 423,373 | 77.42 | 385,324 | 70.46 | 248,675 | 45.47 |
| 12-15 | 153,641 | 77,939 | 50.73 | 62,691 | 40.80 | 2,573 | 1.67 |
| 5-11 | 252,016 | 44,631 | 17.71 | 32,926 | 13.07 | 1,514 | 0.60 |

^{*} Age as at 30 June 2023.

5. Welsh Government does not hold this information. DHCW does not publish heart disease rates, though it does publish information about the number of hospital consultant episodes and admissions by primary diagnosis. The categories which may be relevant can be found in these sections of the linked document:

105-109 Chronic rheumatic heart diseases 110-115 Hypertensive diseases I20-I25 Ischaemic heart diseases I26-I28 Pulmonary heart disease & diseases of pulmonary circulation I30-I52 Other forms of heart disease

6. Welsh Government does not hold this data. You may wish to contact DHCW or PHW to establish whether they hold relevant data.

DHCW can be contacted by using either of the following email addresses: DHCW.Info@wales.nhs.uk or DHCW.FOI@wales.nhs.uk

PHW can be contacted by using either the following link or email address: Contact Us - Public Health Wales (nhs.wales) or foi.phw@wales.nhs.uk

As for Question 6, Welsh Government does not hold this data. As above, you
may wish to contact either DHCW or PHW using the contact information
provided.

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,