

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-604	19 th December 2023
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Your request

You requested the following:

I would like to know the current capacity and usage of the hydrotherapy pool at YYF. What is the target usage (number of slots allocated per week by all Physiotherapy Services) and actual usage over the last three months?

Our Response

I can confirm that the Health Board has completed a search of its records and has established that it does hold information in relation to your request below.

The percentage usage over the past 3 months is outlined below. The percentage usage has been calculated by reviewing the total available capacity of the pool against the total capacity that was used: Month Percentage usage August 2023 88.75% September 2023 94% October 2023 85% The service aims to run hydrotherapy usage between 90-95%. This is a broad target to allow for timely commencement of treatment for patients when the need for hydrotherapy intervention is indicated and sufficient flexibility to ensure the appropriate skill mix of staff is available for specific types of patients.

This level of usage also enables flexibility within the timetable to ensure the appropriate checks can be carried out during sessions to ensure pool safety.

Month	Usage
August 2023	88.75%
September 2023	94%
October 2023	85%

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Reduced usage in August and October 2023 was as a result of current clinical and administrative vacancies which are currently going through recruitment processes to be filled. Attached is an outline of the current hydrotherapy pool timetable.

HYDRO Timetable									
MON		TUE		WED		THURS		FRI	
08:30	Pool test	08:30	ALD	08:30	Diary Slots	08:30	MSK	08:30	Paeds CCC
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13:00	MSK	13:00	Diary slots	13:00	MSK	13:00	Complex Care/ Neurol	13:00	Back wash pool hoover /
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