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Aneurin Bevan
University Health Board

Our ref: **FOI 23-554**

Monday, 15 January 2024

Sent by email to: ceinwen.evans@wales.nhs.uk

Dear Ceinwen Evans,

Thank you for your request to Aneurin Bevan University Health Board for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 23 October 2023.

Your request

You requested the following:

1. Could you please provide the data for risk of falls with older people within an older adult mental health inpatient ward over the last 3 years between the hours of 17:00 - 08:00hrs.
2. Could you please provide the same data over the last 3 years between the hours of 08:00 - 17:00hrs.
3. Could you please provide the data whether those patients of risk of falls have dementia compared to those who are cognitively intact.
4. Could you provide where the falls have taken place between 08:00 - 17:00hrs and 17:00 - 08:00hrs.

You provided the following clarification:

1. How many people have fallen on OAMH wards between the given hours?
2. How many falls have been recorded on OAMH wards between 0800-1700 over the last 3 years?
3. Who have actually fallen please.
4. The location.

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, as set out below:

1. 763
2. 409
3. We are unable to answer this question as we do not record this information centrally. To comply with your request, we would need to review every patient record which we have established would take in excess of 18 hours to undertake and therefore exceeds the appropriate costs limit under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which is currently £450. This is not an

exemption which requires us to consider the application of the public interest test. However, we can confirm that all wards (as set out in our response to Q4), with the exception of Hafan Deg, are dementia care wards. It should be noted that Hafan Deg does occasionally have a small number of patients who have dual dementia and functional mental health diagnoses admitted.

4. Please refer to the below table:

	Anwyllfan Ward	Cedar Parc Ward	Sycamore Ward	Hafan Deg Ward
TOTAL FALLS	470	303	183	216
TOTAL FALLS between 08:00 – 17:00	153	91	71	94
TOTAL FALLS between 17:00 – 08:00	317	212	112	122

Please note that the information provided in response to Questions 1, 2 and 4, may include a small element of duplication as during this 3-year period the Health Board transitioned to a new recording system.

Next steps

If you are not satisfied that the information you have requested has been provided, or because of the way your request has been handled, you have the right to request a review. This would be looked into in accordance with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) guidelines, which state that a request for review should be received within 40 days of you receiving the Health Board's response to your request for information.

Please contact Nicola Prygodzicz, Chief Executive, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, Headquarters, St Cadoc's Hospital, Lodge Road, Caerleon, Newport, NP18 3XQ or email: ABB.BoardSecretary@wales.nhs.uk in the first instance if you wish to request a review.

If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you have the right to take your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office - Wales
2nd Floor
Churchill House
Churchill Way
Cardiff
CF10 2HH

Telephone: 0330 414 6421

Email: wales@ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rani Dash', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rani Dash

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