

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-249	21 st June 2022
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I wish to submit a FOI request to ABUHB:

- **What medical and/or scientific advice or current Welsh Government guidance has led the health board to continue to impose a 1 hour visiting policy at its hospital? Please provide such evidence**

Recent advice from Welsh Government encourages local discretion in terms of de-restricting visiting whilst also ensuring the 'footfall' within hospitals is minimised as far as reasonably possible. The Health Board has taken a pragmatic approach, based on clinical judgement as opposed to evidence, to open visiting from 8am to 8pm with a maximum of an hour to ensure as many patients receive visitors as possible whilst also managing the volume of people present in hospitals and on wards.