

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 23-252	20th June 2023
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## Request 1

**Please confirm how many whole time equivalent (WTE) physiotherapists, technicians and assistants, by Agenda for Change (AfC) band, were employed by Aneurin Bevan University Health Board (children & young people's services and adult services) on the 31st of March 2023. This should include any generic assistant or technical instructor posts that support physiotherapy service provision.**

**Also, please note that physiotherapy staff work in a range of clinical settings. The answer to this request must also capture physiotherapy staff not directly line-managed by the head of physiotherapy services eg occupational health, community resource teams (CRTs).**

Position	Band	WTE
Head of Service	8c	1.00
Senior Management	8b	1.00
Consultant Physiotherapist	8b	1.00
Operational Manager	8a	4.80
Clinical Lead	8a	9.70
Physiotherapist (Clinical Specialist/Team Lead)	B7	58.00
Physiotherapist	B6	73.00
Physiotherapist	B5	51.00
Senior Technician	B4	16.00
Technician	B3	16.00
Assistant	B2	4.90
<b>Total Registered</b>		<b>199.50</b>
<b>Total Unregistered</b>		<b>36.90</b>

## Request 2

**Please confirm how many whole time equivalent (WTE) physiotherapist, technician and assistant vacancies were held in Aneurin Bevan University Health Board as of 31st of March 2023. The answer should identify the number of registered physiotherapists and the number of unregistered support staff as separate figures. Do not include admin and clerical.**

Position	Band	WTE
Senior Management	8b	1.00
Operational Manager	8a	1.00
Clinical Leads	8a	0
Physiotherapist (Clinical Specialist/Team Lead)	B7	3.45

Physiotherapist	B6	14.90
Physiotherapist	B5	1.00
Senior Technician	B4	0.52
Technician	B3	3.05
Assistant	B2	0.60
<b>Total Registered</b>		<b>21.35</b>
<b>Total Unregistered</b>		<b>4.17</b>

### Request 3

**Please confirm or deny if Aneurin Bevan University Health Board has had any periods of time within the last 12 months to the 31st of March 2023 where recruitment to posts has been delayed? If confirmed, please provide reasons (short narrative) for the delay.**

Deny, the Health Board has had no delays in recruitment.

### Request 4

**Please confirm or deny whether there have been any physiotherapy service developments in Aneurin Bevan University Health Board during the last financial year (April 2022 to end of March 2023). If confirmed:**

- Please provide details of the developments.**
- Please confirm or deny whether these were supported by additional resources.**

Confirm as follows:

#### *MSK Transformation Project (adults & paediatrics)*

Although a therapies wide project, Physiotherapy is a key contributor. This has been supported with permanent funding for additional resource at multiple bands.

#### *Physiotherapy in Complex Care*

Additional permanent resource (to the equivalent of 1 WTE band 6 Physiotherapist) has been provided from the complex care division to support this development.

#### *Development of Community Admission Avoidance Therapy Team (CAATT)*

No specific physiotherapy resource as physiotherapy already in place in ED/MAU/admission areas. Development of team therefore supported with permanent funding for OT and therapy assistant practitioners.

#### *Ty Glas y Dorlan*

Development of a community based residential facility in collaboration with Torfaen County Borough Council to support step up from community and step down from hospital to minimise admission and facilitate earlier discharge from hospital. This development was supported with permanent funding for 1.5 WTE band 7 Physiotherapy posts.

### Request 5

**Please confirm or deny if there have been any discontinued posts and/or services in the last year (April 2022 to end of March 2023). If confirmed, please provide details.**

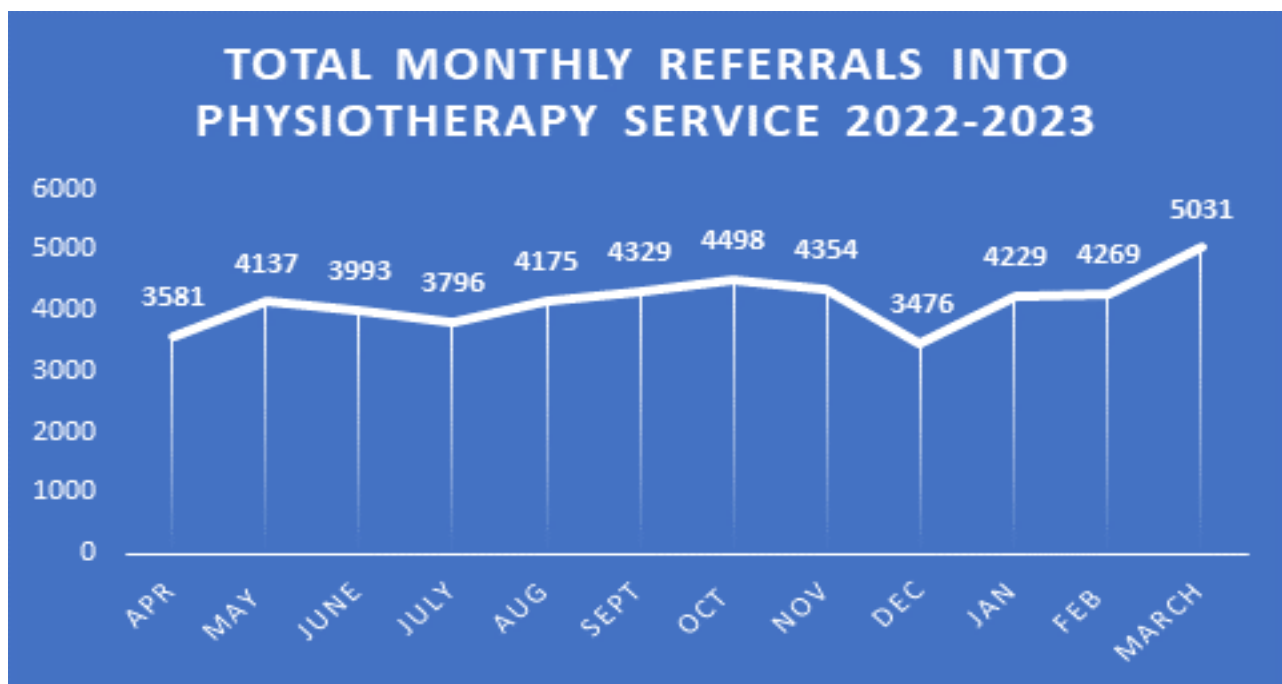
Deny, There have been no discontinuation of posts and/or services within the last year in the Health Board.

#### **Request 6**

**Please confirm or deny if there has been any increase or decrease in demand for physiotherapy services in the last year (April 2022 to end of March 2023). If confirmed, please provide details.**

Confirm, there has been an increased in demand for physiotherapy services in the past year within the Health Board.

Please see below the number of referrals received into the Physiotherapy service between April 2022 to March 2023.



#### **Request 7**

**Please provide details of the level of budget increase or reduction made by the physiotherapy service in Aneurin Bevan University Health Board in the last financial year (April 2022 to end of March 2023) and what this is as a percentage of the physiotherapy budget.**

Physio annual budget for 2022/23 = £11,200,591

Physio annual budget increase of 7.37%

#### **Request 8**

**Please provide details of projected % budgetary savings to be made for this financial year (April 2022 to end of March 2023).**

The service were asked to save 0.05% making this £56,002 of overall annual budget.

The service achieved a saving of £54,542 (came in under budget) to help reduce sickness rates, but this was an internal physio target and not a health board target.

**Request 9**

**Please provide details of spend on agency/locum staff in the last year April 2022 to end of March 2023.**

<b>Total Cost (ex VAT)</b>	<b>Total Cost (inc VAT)</b>
£281,189.15	£337,426.97